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TOUGH YEAR
AHEAD

ON several occasions in the past, Hongkong has come to the end of a year facing grim prospects for the future. Fortunately, the threatened shocks have never quite matched up to the earlier prophecies. But it would be wrong to think that the series of lucky escapes we have enjoyed, is a sign that fortune will continue to smile on us, or that we can win through whatever trials beset us.

This coming year is going to be tough — let no one doubt it. It could be the toughest since the embargo cut off the lucrative China trade turning us from entrepot into manufacturing. It may even be tougher — because two big things are in the offing which could vitally affect the Colony.

THE first is that America is to decide whether it is going to impose the 8½ cents a lb equalisation fee on cotton textile imports. The second — and this is potentially more serious — is the choice Britain must make between the Commonwealth and the Common Market. The big question is whether Britain, in joining will be able to retain any worthwhile preferences for certain Commonwealth imports.

The entire Commonwealth is involved in this in some way or another, including Hongkong which exported in 1960 almost \$608 million worth of its products, 90 per cent under preference. This represents about one-seventh of the Colony's total exports.

IN the case of the equalisation fee, the British Embassy said in its protest to Washington last week that it is likely to have the effect of totally prohibiting exports of piecegoods to the U.S. And in 1960 Hongkong exported more than \$70 million worth. Clearly such a loss — or even a large fraction of it — would deal the local textile industry a serious blow.

It is still possible that the U.S. Tariff Commission will decide against the fee, or perhaps the President will return to a one-price-system for cotton. And remote as it seems, Britain may be able to extract some special conditions for Commonwealth imports from the members of the European Common Market.

British forces remain on the alert 'just in case' KUWAIT WAR FEARS SUBSIDE



How it
all
began

London, Dec. 29. The Daily Mail today reported that Britain's Christmas decision to move in the Middle East to protect the sheikdom of Kuwait against a possible invasion by Iraq, was taken as the result of a new system of alerting the armed forces.

"Every morning now, a joint services staff in the Ministry of Defence sets a 'state of readiness' for the day which is based on intelligence assessments of the current world military and political situations," this Conservative newspaper's commentator, Stevenson Pugh, wrote.

"If any change in the nation's military preparedness is judged necessary then political sanction is sought from Defence Minister, Mr. Harold Watkinson, and the orders are sent out.

"The Christmas alert began in this way last Friday. Analysis of world tension that day, coupled with the first trickle of rumours from Kuwait resulted in the strategic reserve in Britain being alerted." — Reuter.

MYSTERY CALL

Washington, Dec. 28. The U.S. Immigration and Naturalisation Service Office was evacuated today after a mysterious phone call, who identified himself as a Cuban, threatened to plant a bomb. A thorough search by police failed to locate any explosives. — UPI.

Star's father dies

New York, Dec. 28. Alex Stewart, father of film actor Jimmy Stewart, died today. He was about 88. — AP.

May be several more empty scares ahead

London, Dec. 28. Britain's fear of an imminent Iraqi attack against Kuwait subsided tonight, but air, land and sea forces remained on the alert nearby in case of trouble in the oil sheikdom.

"It may all have been a false alarm," one official source said, "but governments, like fire brigades, find it better to be safe than sorry."

Before and during Christmas, urgent reports from intelligence men and diplomats reached the British authorities warning them that Premier Karim Kassim might try soon to fulfil his declared aim of seizing Kuwait as an Iraqi province.

Oil needs

The British oil and political stake in the sheikdom is huge. It supplies half the nation's home oil needs. Much of the US\$420 million of annual oil royalties are invested there. Britain is bound by treaty to defend Kuwait against attack.

And so, even without being asked by the ruler, Sir Abdullah as-Salim as-Sabah, for any sort of help, the Government ordered seven warships, including an aircraft carrier, air and land reinforcements to the Persian Gulf.

The display of power was intended to impress Kassim just in case he really did try to attack.

In any event, nothing has happened and nothing seems likely to happen soon.

Scares

One diplomatic source said there may well be several more empty scares ahead over Kuwait — but it was Government's duty to ensure the reality or otherwise of any danger reported to it.

"Kassim is an unpredictable man," he said. "Some day, when least expected, he may move — and, unless he is stopped at once, it won't be easy to dislodge him with the United Nations in its present political mood."

There is growing disillusion among Government officials here at the ability of many new member states of the world body to act against Asians who may break the rules. The example of the Security Council's vote condemning India's action in Goa is constantly being cited.

As far as P & O are concerned, he said, the outbreak "will not precipitate a very great change from the normal shipping routes because our ships do not call at Indonesian ports."

Ships, he said, usually sail by the sheltered routes in between islands — the course via the Arafura Sea is not only safer but also a short cut between Hongkong and Australia.

Ships may be diverted if trouble starts



Ships sailing between Hongkong and Australia via the Arafura Sea will have to give a wide berth to coastal waters of New Guinea and Indonesian territories in the event of hostilities breaking out between Indonesia and Dutch New Guinea.

This was revealed by the Shipping Manager of Peninsular & Oriental S.N. Co. Ltd., Mr. M. J. Connor, today.

"But, of course, much will depend on the instructions the Admiralty give to the British Merchant Marine in general at the time."

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Nevertheless he pointed out that British ships would have to observe directions from the Royal Navy.

Mr. D. Carey, Shipping Manager of Butterfield and Swire Ltd. refused "to make any hypothetical answer" as to what steps the company would take regarding the shipping routes between Hongkong and Australia in the event of a war.

B & S ships, however, do sail between New Guinea and Indonesia on the Australian Hongkong run.

The Royal Inter Ocean Lines had no worry over an outbreak "because our ships all sail via the Coral Sea to the northeast of New Guinea." — Reuter.

ANGRY ANNA SLAPS BEAMING BRANDO

Santa Monica, Dec. 29. Anna Kashfi slapped her ex-husband, actor Marlon Brando, across the face yesterday as they emerged from a bitterly-contested child custody hearing.

The blow was heard down the courthouse corridor.

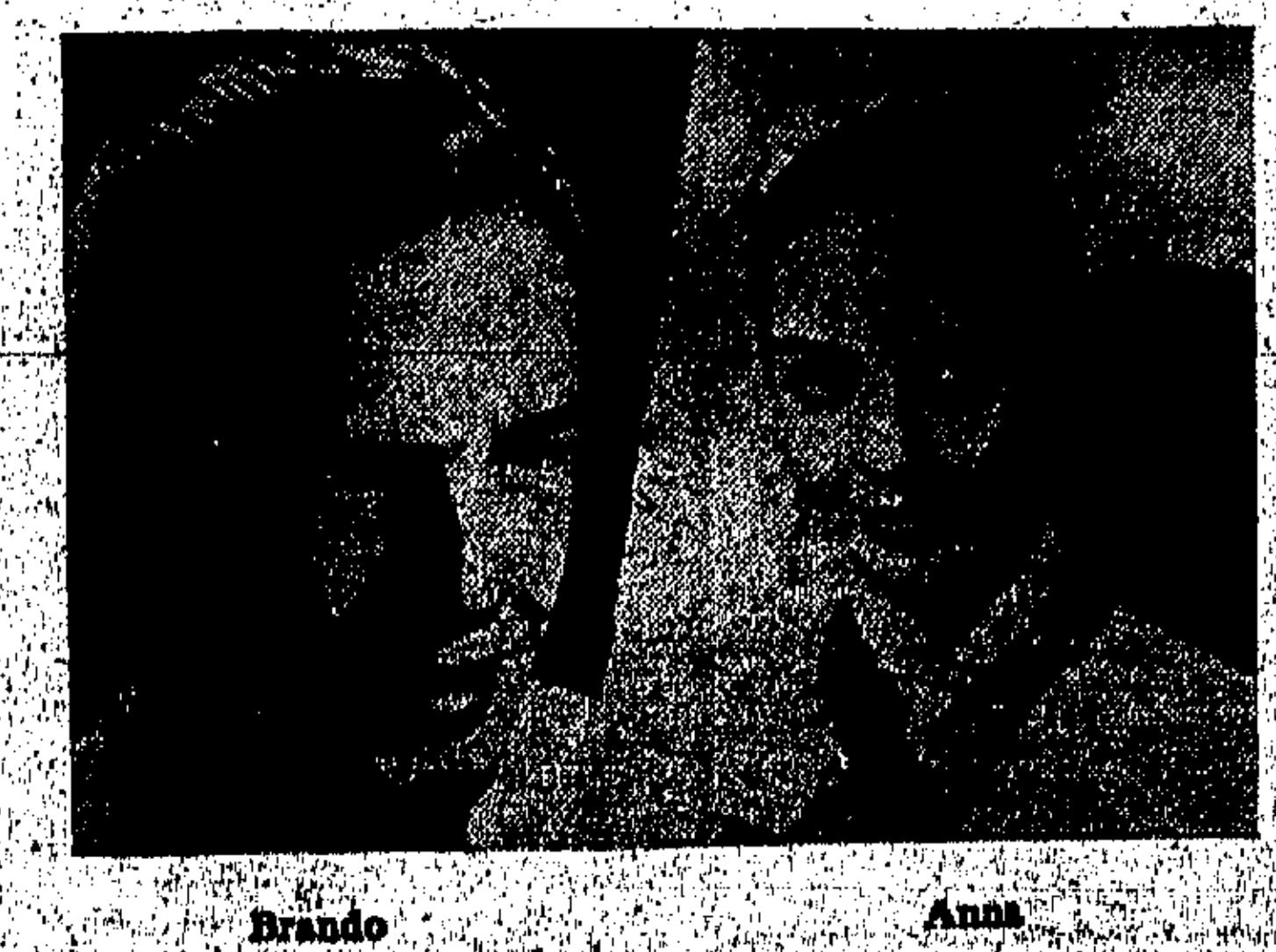
Brando ducked and continued without saying a word.

Miss Kashfi, trembling, turned to photographers and said: "Don't ever say I didn't give you a good picture."

In the hearing, Brando testified that he was "tired of playing the heavy" (villain) in the prolonged court squabble with his ex-wife over their young son.

He won court approval of increased privileges to visit his four-year-old child.

He was beaming and obviously elated over being allowed more time with son Christian Devil. — AP & UPI.



HK SHIVERS AT 54.5° F

Hongkong shivered early this morning in the coldest temperature this winter — 54.5 degrees F — recorded between midnight and 9 am today.

This, however, is far from the lowest temperature ever recorded in December — 40.7 degrees F, registered on December 23, 1896.

Although the temperature climbed back a few more degrees later in the morning, the average temperature today is still some 10 degrees below that of a week ago.

Lebanese, Syrian charged with gold smuggling

A Lebanese, Assad D. Mehanna, 23, and a Syrian, Mamduh Elsaadi, 50, were both charged this morning before Mr. J. E. Dargan at North Kowloon Magistracy with importing gold without a permit.

The first defendant was alleged to have imported 36 bars of gold.

The second defendant was alleged to have imported 41 bars of gold.

The weight and value of the gold was not disclosed in court. They were arrested at 3.40 pm yesterday at the airport customs shed.

The defendants were remanded until tomorrow to appear at Central Magistracy. Revenue Inspector D.A. Wyatt probed.

SALAZAR TO REVOKE U.K. ALLIANCE?

London, Dec. 29.

Rumours are rife in Lisbon, both in diplomatic and general circles, that the Portuguese Government is contemplating the revocation of the Anglo-Portuguese alliance.

"It is also certain that Portugal will now more than ever try to reinforce her friendship with Spain and with her former colony, Brazil."

Two Lisbon newspapers attacked Britain today for what they called her failure to observe the Anglo-Portuguese treaty when Indian troops marched into Portugal's Indian possessions.

They were commenting on a report last night that Dr. Salazar had emphasised on Wednesday that Britain failed Portugal, and that his own policy towards overseas territories is the right one.

FORTUNES WON

London, Dec. 29.

Three British football pools syndicates won more than £155,000 between them this week, it was announced here.

Sixty men at a Birmingham factory in the English Midlands shared £55,105, a family syndicate from the London dormitory-town of Beaconsfield in Buckinghamshire won £51,000 and a six-man syndicate from the market town of Shrewsbury won £49,404.

They all forecast eight drawn matches. — Reuter.

FRONT PAGE BRIEFS

COLD DEATH

New Delhi, Dec. 28.

Temperatures are slowly rising in northern India after the worst cold wave in living memory killed at least 259 people in the last ten days. Temperatures are still well below freezing in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

Homeless labourers and beggars, shivering through the night in the open, were often found frozen in the morning.

Frozen birds and animals littered village streets and thick fog dislocated rail and air traffic. — UPI.

WORKING DINNER

Vientiane, Dec. 28.

The three rival Princes in Laos were due to have a "working dinner" here tonight, which, observers hope, may produce some results leading towards the formation of a coalition government and a peaceful political settlement for the country. — Reuter.

Congo gunfight

Elisabethville, Dec. 28.

At least two Katanga gendarmes were killed and one wounded today in an outbreak of fighting between Katanga forces and Swedish U.N. troops, a senior Swedish U.N. officer said.

There were no U.N. casualties in the exchange of gunfire between Swedish troops and the gendarmes in the eastern part of the city. — UPI.

Space dept

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The Ministry of Aviation announced today the setting up of a space department to co-ordinate research and development on all kinds of satellites.

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SMALLPOX SCARE IN BRITAIN

London, Dec. 28. A smallpox warning went out tonight from the Ministry of Health to all passengers who travelled over the Christmas weekend to Britain by Olympic Airlines flight 409, from Paris to London, or to Paris on the round-the-world Air France trip TI/AF/61, whose last stops were Karachi, Teheran, Rome and Paris.

They were requested to "report without delay" to the nearest medical officer for the appropriate advice and vaccination.

Health authorities in the countries to which the passengers may have travelled have been notified. The scare followed the confirmation tonight that a 24-year-old Pakistani, C. Khan, had smallpox. He travelled to London from Paris on Christmas Day, having journeyed there from Karachi. Mr. Khan, who had been staying with friends in the London borough of St. Pancras, walked into hospital there in the middle of the night.

He was given emergency treatment and doctors, nurses and porters who had been in contact with him were vaccinated.

So too were 30 people who had been in contact with him in St. Pancras.

This morning he was rushed to an isolation hospital in Kent. — Reuter.

FIRE VICTIMS

Washington, Dec. 28.

The Naval School of Medicine at Bethesda, today, sent 30,000 square centimetres of frozen tissue to Rio de Janeiro where it will be used to treat 40 victims of the fire which killed 1,000 people in the month which claimed more than 100 lives. — AP & UPI.

No move against giant U.K. firm

London, Dec. 28. Before the Christmas recess freight markets were quiet for this time of year. Now that the holiday is over business has almost come to a standstill.

This step was recommended in July by the Monopolies Commission investigating the tobacco industry.

A Board of Trade statement tonight said Imperial had given no assurance to the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Frederick Erroll, that they regarded

their undertaking not to interfere in the management of Gallaher, a rival company, the Board of Trade announced here today.

"On all the evidence the president is satisfied that the public interest will be adequately safeguarded by this undertaking," the statement said.—Reuters.

Yesterday's Closing

COMMODITY PRICES

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK

Closing rates: Canada 95½; England official 2,600; Britain 2,021; Denmark 450; France 2,041; W. Germany 2,422; Holland 2,700; Norway 1,405; Sweden 1,932; Switzerland 2,318

LONDON

Closing rates: New York 2,800; 2,803; Montreal 10,103; 10,111; Brussels 139,75; 139,80; Copenhagen 19,311; 19,313; Frankfurt 20,223; 20,225; Paris 13,753; 13,760; Stockholm 14,543; 14,544; Milan 17,423; 17,424; Geneva 72,49; 72,52; Zurich 12,113; 12,123

—UPI

RUBBER

NEW YORK

Rubber futures closing prices, all in cents per lb: No. 1 RSS spot 233; 24; Settlement house term: Jan. 20, 24; Feb. 24; Mar. 24; Apr. 24; May 24; June 24; July 24; Aug. 24; Sept. 24; Oct. 24; Nov. 24; Dec. 24

LONDON

Closing prices all in pence per lb: Spot 35.55; Mar. 34.11; May 34.68; July 34.68; Oct. 33.55; Dec. 33.60; Mar. 33.90; May 34.00

—UPI

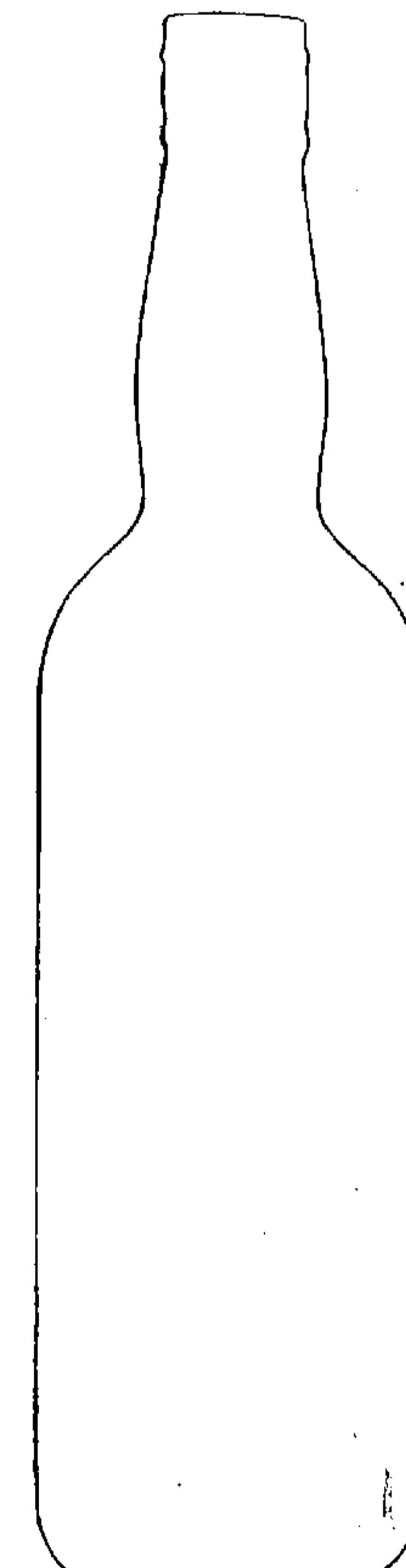
COTTON

NEW YORK

Closing prices all in cents per lb: No. 1 RSS spot 233; 24; Settlement house term: Jan. 20, 24; Feb. 24; Mar. 24; Apr. 24; May 24; June 24; July 24; Aug. 24; Sept. 24; Oct. 24; Nov. 24; Dec. 24

—UPI

It's good to drink scotch



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THE BALTIc EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 28. Before the Christmas recess freight markets were quiet for this time of year. Now that the holiday is over business has almost come to a standstill.

Towards the U.K. the Megar was fixed with 12/13,000 tons of cargo from the northern range. At first sight the rate of 35/9 might appear to represent an ease from the previous rate of 40/-. However, today's fixture had more favourable terms, i.e. foob load/1,000 discharge at current rate.

FIXTURES: northern range to Avonmouth, Megara, (motor), 12,000/13,000 tons min-max, heavy grain, January 15/25, 35/9 foob load; 1,000 discharge at current rate.

River Plate to Callao, Almara, 9,800 tons, 5 per cent, wheat in bulk, January 25-February 10, \$6. Two ports load 25 cents extra, with berth terms foob/1,000 discharge free.

Gulf to Antwerp, Rotterdam or Amsterdam, Elast (motor), 21,000 tons, 5 per cent, heavy grain, January 4, \$4, with 3,000 discharge free.

TIME CHARTER: North Mar-

chioness (motor) 12,200 tons

dw, 601,000 bale, 13/4 knots on

16 tons intermediate fuel oil, two-four months trading delivery Gulf, January, respectively

U.S. Atlantic Coast-Gulf or

East Coast-Canada, \$2.85—UPI.

Nov. 30 Dec. 7 Dec. 14 Dec. 21 Dec. 28 Up or Down steady

HK Bank \$205 \$205 \$205 \$205 \$205

Lombard 42n 42n 40b 40b 40b

Wheeloock 12½ 12½ 12½ 12½ 12½

HK Wharf 348 348 382s 376s 376s

HK Docks 140 148 147 145 147

Talkeo Docks 74 72½ 72½ 74 74

Provident 29.70 28.60 28.40 28.60 29.70

HK Hotels 431 423 434 431 431

HK Lands 74½ 73 73½ 75 75

HK Realty 2,125 2,125 2,05 2,10 2,15

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Star Ferry 230b 234s 246s 238 244

Yaumao 127 128 126 126 127

Ch. Light 41½ 40½ 40½ 40 40

Electric 39½ 39 39 39 39

HK Telephone 44 42 42 43 43

G. I. Cement 69 68 67½ 68 69

Dairy Farm 36½ 36½ 35½ 36 36

A. S. Watson 57 58 57½ 58 58

Lane, Crawford 38½ 38 37 37 37

Int'l Investment 15 12.40 12.40 12.30 12.30

Allied & FE Inv 9.30 9.10b 9.20s 9.10s 9.10s

HR & FE Inv 21.80 21.40 21.40s 21.10 21.80

Textile Corp 6.85 5.85s 5.80s 5.85 6.70

Nanyang 12.40n 12.25s 10.50xd 10.50 12.40

Kwohloong Motor Bus 76 75 74 74½ 74½

Jardines 24.40 24.20xd 23.20 23.20

Up or Down steady

Dividend & Bonus \$1.00 \$1.00 \$1.00 \$1.00 \$1.00

Approx. Yield (%) 3.3 5.6 3.24 2.7 4.3

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WORLD'S LARGEST VARIETY

★ The share market at a glance ★

	Nov. 30	Dec. 7	Dec. 14	Dec. 21	Dec. 28	Up or Down	Dividend & Bonus	Approx. Yield (%)
HK Bank	358	356	362	362	362	steady	\$205	3.3
Lombard	42n	42n	40b	40b	40b	+75c	\$225	5.6
Wheeloock	12½	12.30	12.10	12.20	12.30	+10c	75c	6.2
HK Wharf	348	348	382s	376s	376s	-5c	\$12	3.24
HK Docks	140	148	147	145	147	+2c	\$4	2.7
Talkeo Docks	74	72½	72½	74	74	+50c	\$320	4.3
Provident	29.70	28.60	28.40	28.60	29.70	+50c	\$1.80	4.4
HK Hotels	431	423	434	431	431	+50c	\$85	6.78
HK Lands	74½	73	73½	73	73½	+1½%	\$2.40	3.17
HK Realty	2,125	2,125	2,05	2,10	2,15	+50c	13.76	6.5
40½	40½	40½	41½	41½	41½	+50c	\$2.05	4.9
Star Ferry	230b	234s	246s	238	244	+80c	\$10.50	4.3
Yaumao	127	128	126	126	127	+1c	\$9.50	7.5
Ch. Light	41½	40½	40½	40	39½	-25c	\$1.10	2.7
Electric	39½	39	39	39	39	+50c	\$1.70	4.27
HK Telephone	44	42	42	43	43	+25c	\$1.75	4.1
G. I. Cement	69	68	67½	68	69	+50c	\$2	5.5
Dairy Farm	36½	36½	35½	36	36	+50c	\$2.50	4.17
A. S. Watson	57	58	57½	58	58	+50c	\$3	8.1
Lane, Crawford	38½	38	37	37	37	+25c	\$1	8
Int'l Investment	15	12.40	12.40	12.30	12.30	+10c	steady	13.7
Allied & FE Inv	9.30	9.10b	9.20s	9.10s	9.10s	-10c	steady	8.1
HR & FE Inv	21.80	21.40	21.40s	21.10	21.80	+70c	\$1	4.6
Textile Corp	6.85	5.85s	5.80s	5.85	6.70	+25c	50c	8.77
Nanyang	12.40n	12.25s	10.50xd	10.50	12.40	+10c	\$1.10	8.78
Kwohloong Motor Bus	76	75	74	74½	74½	+10c	\$2.80	8.78
Jardines	24.40	24.20xd	23.20	23.20	23.20	+10c	80c	3.4

* When shares were five times their present value.

Small gains with firm undertone

The market made fractional gains this morning, the last trading day of the year, and showed a firm undertone.

The morning turnover was about \$2,190,000 bringing the total turnover for the short 3-day week to about \$13,700,000 compared with about \$19,000,000 for the previous five-day week.

Docks gained \$1 at \$148, while half-dollar gains were scored by Talkeo at \$74½ and Trams at \$42½.

Lights added 25 cents at \$40, but Electrics lost 25 cents at \$34½.

British swans frozen into ponds ICY SNAP HITS EUROPE FOR FIFTH DAY

London, Dec. 28.

Britain and Europe shivered through its fifth consecutive day of freezing weather today with no sign of a let-up in the cold snap for at least 24 hours.

Killer shark tears off girl's arm, mauls man

Mackay, Australia, Dec. 28. A shark tore off one arm and part of the other arm of an 18-year-old girl wading only 12 feet from shore today.

Margaret Hobbs, 18, a school-teacher trainee, also suffered serious gashes on her right thigh.

Miss Hobbs was standing with Martin Steffan, 24, in about 2½ feet of water when the shark attacked. Eye-witnesses, who estimated the shark was about 10 feet long, said it made three separate attacks on the couple.

Steffan tried to beat off the shark while holding on to Miss Hobbs. He suffered severe gashes on his right forearm.

Another member of the beach party rushed into the water and helped drive off the shark.—UPI.

Picture shows a full-length view of another killer shark caught off Noosa Heads in Australia recently. (This man-eater was caught after it attacked another bather.)



Americans smoke more cigarettes

Washington, Dec. 28.

Americans smoked more this year than ever before, the Agriculture Department said today.

However, it estimated that smokers paid more than less snuff was dipped in 1961 than in 1960, and about the same amount of tobacco was of which went into federal, state and local taxes.

It was the fifth consecutive increase in cigarettes consumption and more is expected next year.—UPI.

Argentine Navy

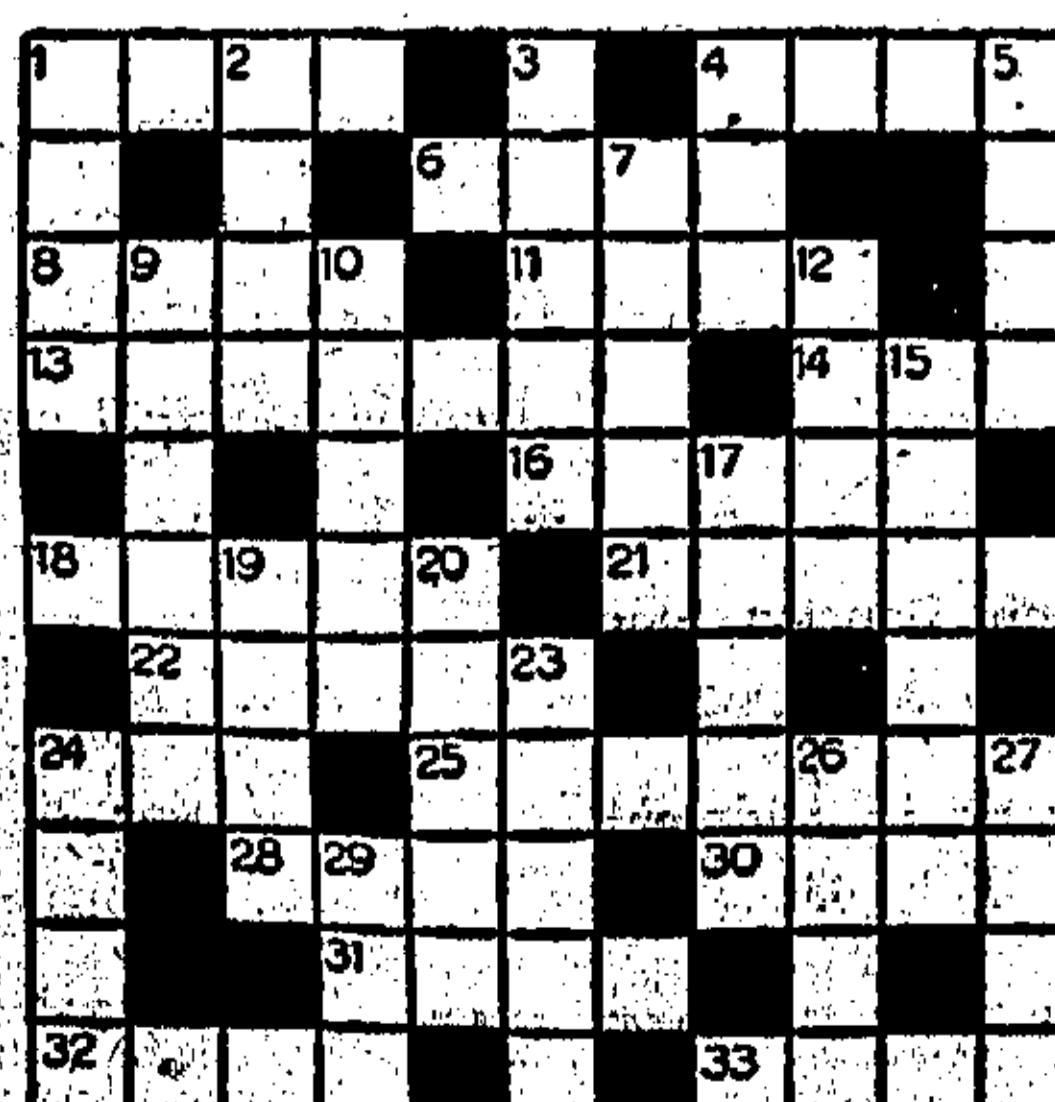
London, Dec. 28.

The Argentine Embassy in London confirmed today that the Chamber of Deputies had approved the spending of 22,000,000,000 pesos (over £10,000,000) in the next ten years for rebuilding the Argentine Navy.

A spokesman added that it was too early yet to say what ships were planned and in what countries orders would be placed.—Reuter.



A BRITISH W CROSS R D PUZZLE



ACROSS
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8. The one here. 26. Look or if
11. Come you get 27. Muddling's
13. Pay up. 28. Lost.
14. Listener. 29. Indebted.
15. Rinder. 30. Depressed.
16. Striped herl. 31. Comfy.
21. If's light to 32. Box.

DOWN
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3. Love about 16. Distr. or
you! 17. Cosmopolitan.
5. A moonlight 18. Soapy water.
7. Snore? 19. Scatter.
9. Babu. 20. May have them.
11. Teddy's 21. Ouch! 22. May
beast. 23. Ouch! 24. It's sour and
13. Pay up. 25. Within wheel. 26. A piling up.
15. Listener. 27. The hind part.
17. Proclaim. 28. A piling up.
19. Walkers take 29. Age.
21. If's light to 30. them.
23. Box. 31. Comfy.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Covers. 12. Cover. 13. Distr. 14. Net. 16. Distr. 17. Grow. 18. Gaze. 19. Box. 20. Snore. 21. Ouch! 22. May. 23. Ouch! 24. It's sour and. 25. Within wheel. 26. A piling up. 27. The hind part. 28. A piling up. 29. Age. 30. them. 31. Comfy. 32. Box.
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NEWS IN BRIEF

December 28

Algeria killings

Algiers — At least nine persons were killed and 16 wounded in Algeria today as the grim march of terrorism and counter-terrorism continued.

During the day, eight plastic bombs and one time-bomb exploded.

Two Europeans were slain in an ambush yesterday near Bougie.—AFP.

Protest

London — Albania has protested to Hungary and East Germany at the "decision of the two governments to recall their respective ambassadors," the Albanian news agency ATI reported today.

It said the protests, delivered yesterday, also objected to the demands by Hungary and East Germany for the withdrawal of the Albanian Ambassadors from their countries.—Reuter.

Young Castro

Key West, Fla. — Havana Radio said numbers of Russian parents have written to Prime Minister Fidel Castro asking permission to name their sons after him.

The requests were included, the radio said, among messages pouring in from the Soviet Union to congratulate him on the third anniversary of his revolution.—AP.

Cactus wall

New York — The Castro Cuban Administration today was reported planting a "wall" of knife-sharp cactus plants, called "bayonet grass," around the big United States navy base at Guantanamo Bay.

The report, from George Clifford of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, was published in the New York World-Telegram and Sun under a Guantanamo Bay dateline.—AP.

MP predicts hard times in 1962



Jo Grimond

London, Dec. 29. Mr Jo Grimond, leader of the Liberal Party, said in a New Year message to supporters that he hoped the coming year would see China's admission to the United Nations.

The Liberal leader, whose party holds six seats in the House of Commons, forecast "a tough year at home and internationally."—Reuter.

Piper Laurie to marry

New York, Dec. 28. Actress Piper Laurie and New York Herald-Tribune reporter Joseph Morgenstern will be married in Long Beach on January 21, Mr Morgenstern announced today.

It will be the first marriage for Miss Laurie, who began her Hollywood career publicized as "The girl who eats roses."

The wedding will take place at her sister's home in Long Beach. Miss Laurie's real name is Rosetta Jacobs.

It also is the first marriage for Mr Morgenstern, a reporter in the lively arts department of the Herald-Tribune.—UPI.



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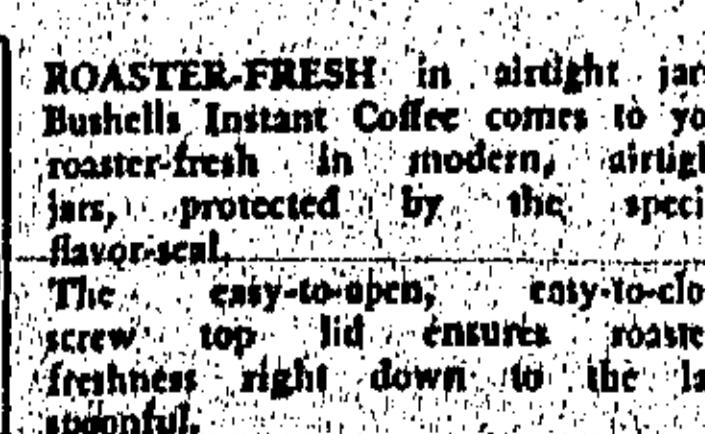
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"Every subsequent effort to create a stable world order has

come back for inspiration to his efforts and has owed much to his vision," Mr Kennedy said of Mr Wilson.—UPI.

Cold bill

Madison, Wis., Dec. 29. Governor Gaylord Nelson's Press Secretary quipped today that it would be a cold day when a Democratic governor signed a sales tax bill in Wisconsin.

A short time later, Mr Nelson, a Democrat, signed a sales tax bill. It was three degrees below zero in the city.—UPI.

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British swans frozen into ponds ICY SNAP HITS EUROPE FOR FIFTH DAY

London, Dec. 28.

Britain and Europe shivered through its fifth consecutive day of freezing weather today with no sign of a let-up in the cold snap for at least 24 hours.

Killer shark tears off girl's arm, mauls man

Mackay, Australia, Dec. 28. A shark tore off one arm and part of the other arm of an 18-year-old girl wading only 12 feet from shore today.

Margaret Hobbs, 18, a school-teacher trainee, also suffered serious gashes on her right thigh.

Miss Hobbs was standing with Martin Steffan, 24, in about 2½ feet of water when the shark attacked. Eye-witnesses, who estimated the shark was about 10 feet long, said it made three separate attacks on the couple.

Steffan tried to beat off the shark while holding on to Miss Hobbs. He suffered severe gashes on his right forearm.

Another member of the beach party rushed into the water and helped drive off the shark.—UPI.

Picture shows a full-length view of another killer shark caught off Noosa Heads in Australia recently. (This man-eater was caught after it attacked another bather.)

Americans smoke more cigarettes

Washington, Dec. 28.

Americans smoked more this year than ever before, the Agriculture Department said today.

However, it is estimated that less snuff was dipped in 1961 than in 1960, and about the same amount of tobacco was chewed this year than last.

It is estimated U.S. cigarette output and consumption this year at a record 528,000,000,000 cigarettes, 4 per cent more than last year.—UPI.

Argentine Navy

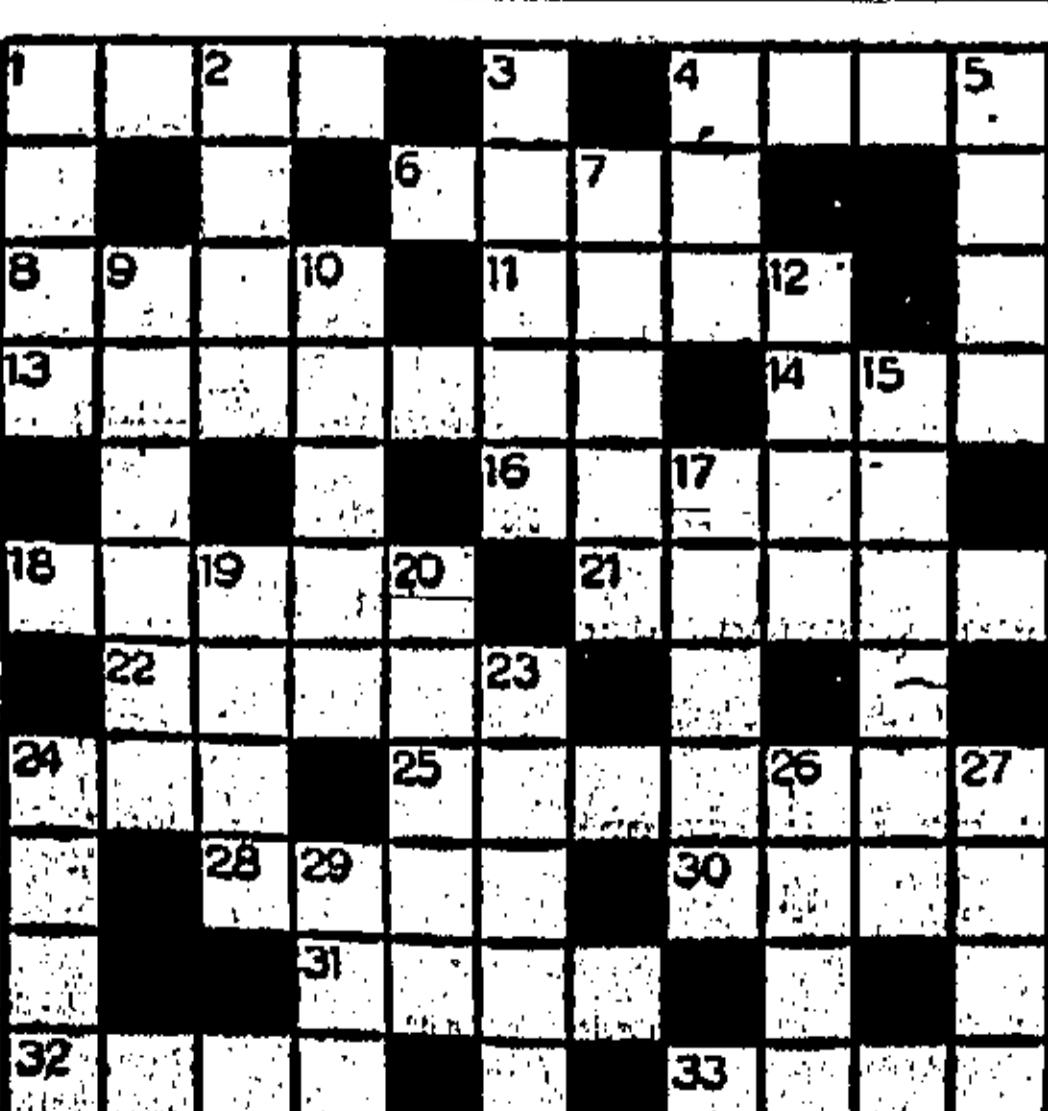
London, Dec. 28. The Argentine Embassy in London confirmed today that the Chamber of Deputies had approved the spending of 22,000,000 pesos (over £100,000,000) in the next ten years for rebuilding the Argentine Navy.

A spokesman added that it was too early yet to say what ships were planned and in what countries orders would be placed.—Reuter.



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Foreign Secretary speaks on the U.N. CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE

Nations using force to achieve their ends

• BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

It is well known that when a reviewer of novels wants a phrase that the publishers will quote, with the reviewer's name attached, nine times out of nine he chooses "Integrity, awareness, and a sense of values." The other day a reviewer was more explicit. A certain novelist was credited with "an awareness of life."

I only want to help

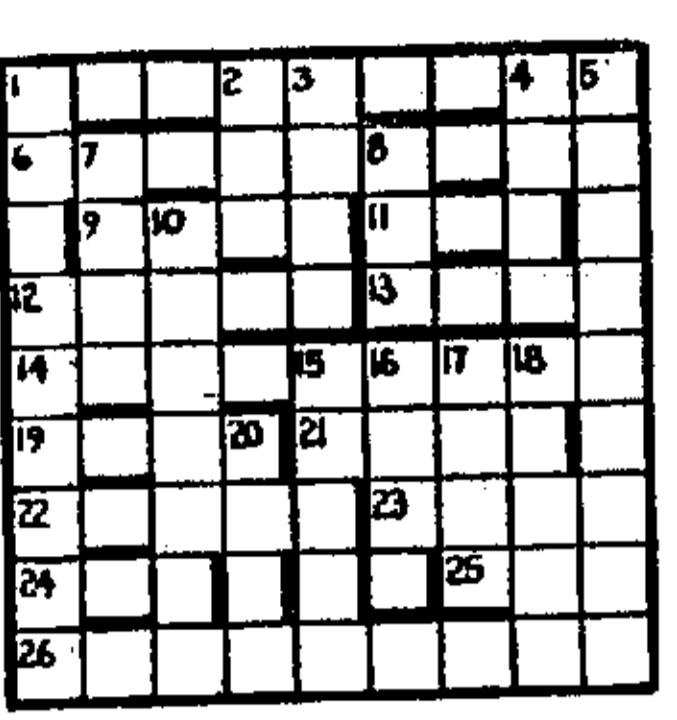
A BOOKLET instructing postal employees how to go slow seems to assume that they are very unresourceful. One good trick would be for postmen to "stagger" the clearing of letterboxes, extracting only a few letters at each visit to a box. By adding addresses on letters delivery to the right addresses would be considerably slowed down. As to telephone exchanges it is all too easy. Put subscribers on to numbers chosen by a throw of dice. If a dog licence is asked for in a post office the assistant can keep the conversation going for a long time by showing an interest in the dog.

Rissole Mio

WHEN Miss Eve Milner moved into a room vacated by a traveller in plastic stanchions she complained that she found eight empty whisky bottles in the wardrobe. Outraged, Mrs. McGurk said: "Now I know what he and his friends meant by quiet readings from Shakespeare on Friday nights."

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Lord Home, the Foreign Secretary, spoke tonight of a "crisis of confidence" in the United Nations.

Lord Home, addressing the Berwick-on-Tweed branch of the United Nations Association posed this question: "Why is there a crisis of confidence in the United Nations?"

He said: "The answer is that for the first time since its foundation, a number of countries have voted publicly, and without shame, in favour of the use of force to achieve national ends."

"Four countries which were members of the Security Council supported a resolution condoning the use of force by India against Goa.

"Had the debate been in the Assembly, many more countries—perhaps even a majority—would have voted the same way."

India charged

"The significance of such action is this. Whatever the provocations suffered by India or the excuses made by her or for her there is no doubt at all that her actions were a direct breach of the charter and of international law," Lord Home said.

Lord Home said that when the United Nations approved that it could be as Mr Adlai Stevenson, United States permanent delegate to the United Nations, said, "the beginning of the end."

"Many of us had foreseen this crisis of confidence," Lord Home added. "For years the Russians had been frustrating the peaceful working of the United Nations but lately new and dangerous practice has begun to prevail."

"Resolutions have been persistently passed by the assembly, in particular on colonialism, which could only be described as reckless and careless of peace and security. Everyone has seen the chaos in the Congo and everyone knows that it derives from a premature grant of independence to a country whose people were totally unprepared for their new responsibilities."

The breach

Lord Home said that for years the Russians had used the United Nations platform to prosecute the cold war using racism, nationalism and the exuberant individualism of newly independent countries to further their ends.

"Now another breach is beginning to appear and the origin of it is somewhat similar. A large number of new countries are putting their campaign for acceleration of independence for colonial territories before the main purpose of the charter which is to provide peace and security."

Lord Home said he would not equate their motives with those of the Communists, although far too often they found themselves bed-fellows, but the effect of their actions was to weaken the charter. Unwittingly they played the Communists' game.

He illustrated how this concentration on colonialism led to the adoption of a double standard of behaviour by many of the newly elected countries.

Lord Home

cost brings a prospect of power without responsibility; it is an under-statement to say that there is cause for anxiety."

He then analysed some of the causes of the present discontent and discussed what could and should be done to save an organisation in which so many of the hopes of men reside had their day?"

By contrast the British record was one which had freed 600 million people in 15 years, Lord Home added.

He said that evidence of a serious falling away from the principles of the charter placed Britain in an appalling dilemma.

"All our instincts and interests therefore combine to urge support for the kind of United Nations for which the founders drew up the charter. The question which many sober and responsible observers of its practice are asking is whether we can continue to do so and whether the United Nations or the authors of the charter have had their day?"

The other side

He then put the other side of the balance sheet and said whatever its faults the aims of the United Nations were sound and its aspirations true. Britain could not afford lightly to discard an instrument dedicated to peace which was struggling to put together the elements of peace-keeping machinery, however elementary it may appear.

"Lucky, because the Soviet was absent from the meeting, enabled collective action to be taken in Korea, United Nations police have helped to keep peace on the Israel-Egypt frontier, although we have been, and I believe, rightly, critical of their methods in the Congo, the United Nations have kept the cold war out of that country."

Much quiet, unostentatious, but valuable work was being done in education and farming, medicine and labour relations and technical assistance of all sorts. "In an unspectacular way the groundwork is being laid for one world," the Foreign Secretary said.

My hopes

"There is the loss and the profit. There is no easy way out of our dilemma and we shall not be tempted to look for one.

"There are no soft options in international affairs."

Having drawn up the balance sheet between pessimism and hope, Lord Home said: "I come down decidedly on the side of hope."

"And more than that, on a determined effort by ourselves and those who feel like us to bring the United Nations back to working the charter as it was meant to be, peace and security must be reinstated as its primary aims." —Reuter.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, By Air

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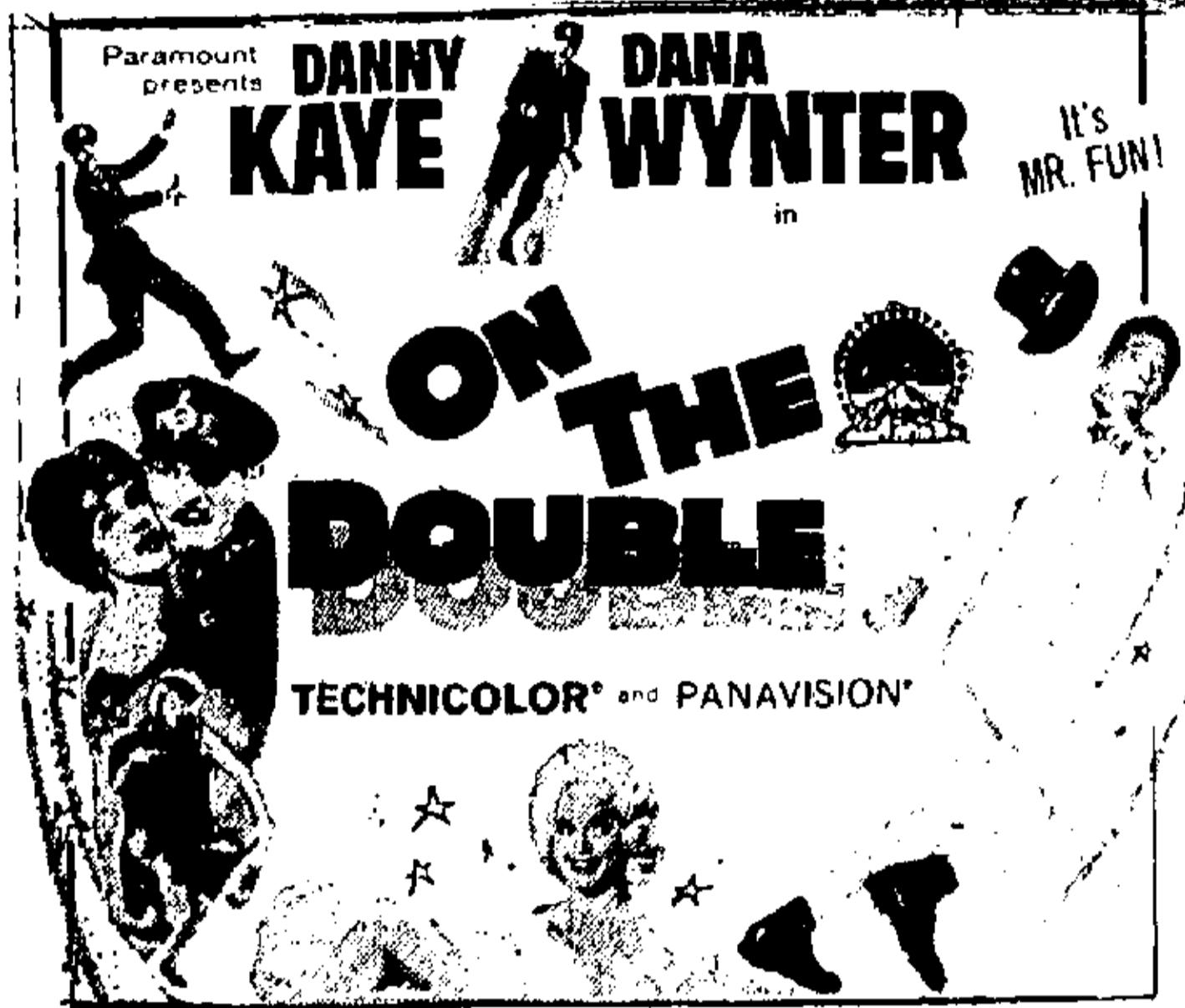
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LIZ TAYLOR TOP MOVIE

DRAW

Hollywood, Dec. 28. Elizabeth Taylor was named the movies' top moneymaking star today in the 30th annual poll of exhibitors by Motion Picture Herald.

The honour climaxed a year in which she almost died of pneumonia in a London hospital, and a few weeks later, dramatically won her first academy award.

Miss Taylor became the fifth actress to be named tops at the box office. Males have been the big ticket sellers over the years. The others: Doris Day, 1960; Betty Grable, 1943; Shirley Temple, 1935-36-37-38; Marie Dressler, 1932-33.

Others in the 1961 top ten, in order after Miss Taylor: Rock Hudson, winner in 1957 and 1959; Miss Day, 1955, 1951 and 1954; Cary Grant, a top ten fixture but never a winner; Sandra Dee, Jerry Lewis, 1952 winner teamed with Dean Martin; William Holden, 1956 winner; Tong Curtis and Elvis Presley.

Edged out

Presley, a newcomer to the list, edged out a bobby sox idol of an earlier time, Frank Sinatra, who was 12th. Debbie Reynolds and Jack Lemmon, also in last year's top ten, were 13th and 14th.

Miss Taylor was fourth in 1960 and second in 1958.

Ironically, both her Oscar and boxoffice honour came for "Butterfield 8," a picture she doesn't regard as among her best, and which she balked at doing.

Critics agreed with her appraisal of the script, but held that she gave her role as a party girl a rousing performance.

"La Dolce Vita" was named the best foreign film of the year, defeating two other Italian entries, "Two Women" and "L'Avventura."

"Judgment at Nuremberg" was the only double winner when Abby Mann won the best screen writing award.

Eleven of the 16 critics voting selected "West Side Story" as the best picture. Five others selected "Judgment at Nuremberg."

Schell got 100 votes for his victory. Behind him were America's James Cagney with four votes for "One, Two, Three" and Paul Newman, with two votes for "The Hustler."

Easily beaten

Miss Loren easily beat out competition, receiving 11 votes. She was followed by Geraldine Page, who got four votes for "Summer and Smoke" and Piper Laurie, who gained a single ballot for "The Hustler."

Robert Wise and Jerome Robbins, directors of "West Side Story," got six votes to finish second for best director.—AP.

Princess
Royal's
tour

Ottawa, Dec. 28. The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. John Diefenbaker, today announced details of the visit the Princess Royal will make to Canada next year about the same time as the Queen Mother.

The Princess Royal will present new Colours to the Royal Regiment of Canada in Toronto on June 16 and to the Canadian Scottish Regiment (Princess Mary's Own) in Victoria a week later. She is Colonel-in-Chief of both.

She will also be made an Honorary Bench of the Law Society of Upper Canada and visit her other Canadian regiment, the Royal Canadian Corps of Signals.

It was announced earlier that the Duke of Edinburgh will make a private visit to Canada next spring to attend the second Commonwealth study conference from May 14 to June 6, at McGill University, Montreal.—Reuters.

STRIKE OFF

New York, Dec. 28. Settlement of a dispute which had threatened to halt New York's buses and subways at the height of New Year's celebration was announced tonight by Mayor Robert Wagner.

He said a new two-year contract, replacing one which expires on January 1, would cost the city about \$30 million in pay raises. Reuters.

British Post Office
workers will
work to rule

London, Dec. 28. Leaders of Britain's Post Office Workers' Union today unanimously confirmed their decision that their 170,000 members should work to rule, starting on Monday.

The decision on this go-slow, which is expected to cripple the nation's postal and telephone services, was announced at a Press conference after Union leaders had met to consider a letter from the Postmaster General, Mr. Reginald Bevins.

Mr. Bevins had warned that negotiations on wages could not continue if the Union insists on carrying out its go-slow plan.

Union Secretary, Mr. Ron Smith, replied by letter today that his Executive Council had been unable to discover anything in Mr. Bevins' attitude which indicated a serious wish to negotiate.

Mr. Bevins issued a statement an hour later saying he "deplored" the Union's decision. He refused to give way to a demand under threats.

Emergency services

A 40-page pamphlet giving details of working-to-rule which will be sent to all Union members said, among other things, that postmen must not push letters under doors or through windows, even though requested to do so.

Mr. Smith said the Union executive will meet two weeks after the work-to-rule starts to study developments. During the go-slow, emergency services will be maintained.

The Union is asking for substantial pay rises. Mr. Bevins has said pay rises cannot be considered until the government's "pay pause" austerity drive is concluded.

Britain's 75,000 Post Office engineers are also considering working to rule over a pay dispute.—Reuters.

Anti-Trujillo
mob
action

Santo Domingo, Dec. 28. A new wave of anti-Trujillo feeling swept Santo Domingo today, with street gangs roaming the city searching for "spies."

They cornered one pro-Trujillo suspect in the heart of the city and beat him until police arrived. A victim of a similar beating yesterday was near death in hospital.

Police stood by as crowds of several hundred roamed the streets looking for "enemies." They broke into the Internal Revenue office on a tip a "spy" was hiding there, pushing past police guards, but failed to find a victim.

A few youths in the crowd set up a chant that two "spies" were in the American Consulate seeking passports but the majority of the mob ignored the invitation. The Consulate has been attacked twice in recent weeks after similar allegations.

About 60 youths milled about the door of the U.S. passport office for more than an hour before dispersing. However, some youths remained watching the doorway.—UPI.

Violation
charges

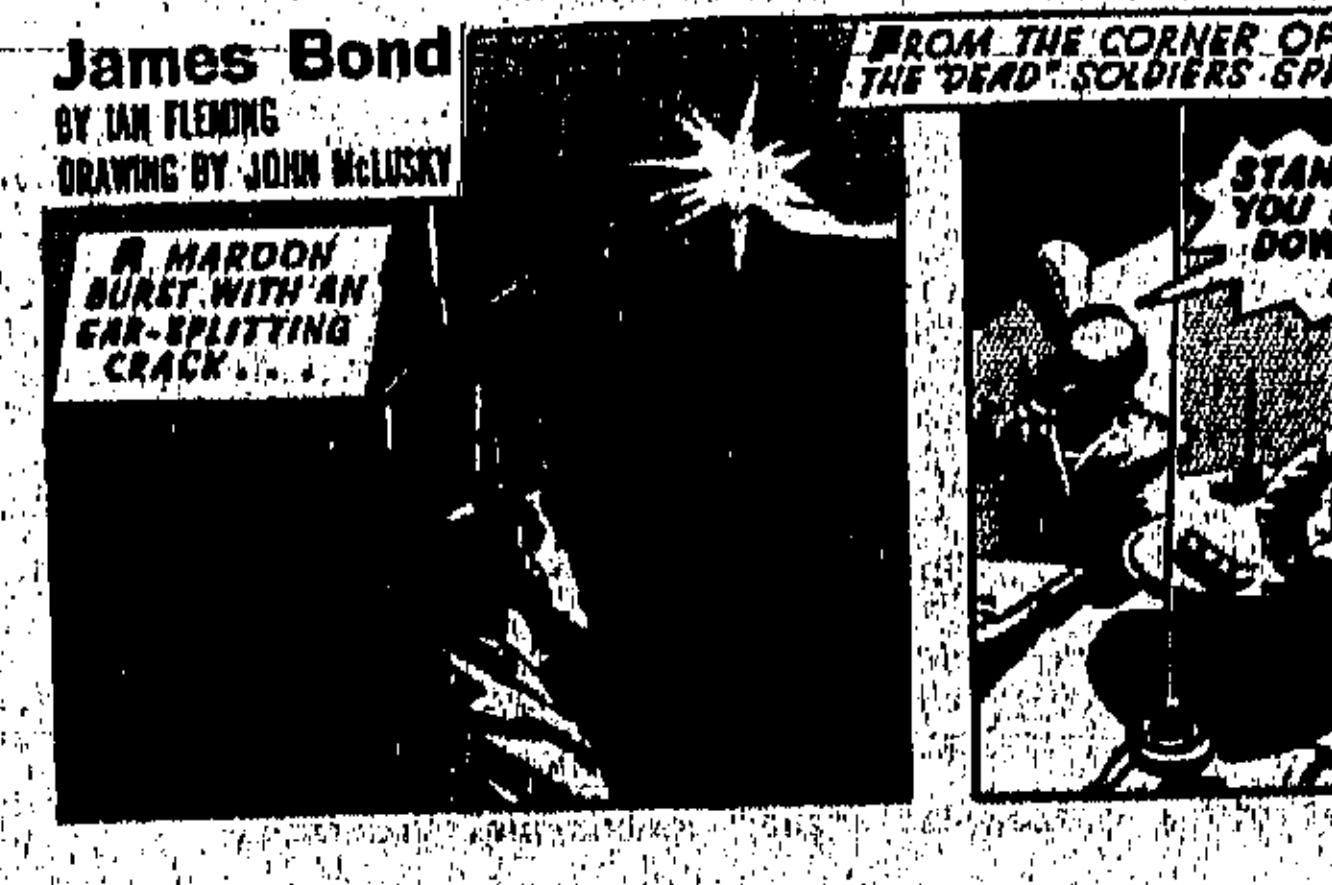
United Nations, Dec. 28. Senegal has charged Portugal with three violations of Senegalese territory, it was revealed today.

The United Nations released the text of a cable sent by Senegalese Foreign Minister Doudou Thiam on December 22 to Omar Loutfi of the United Arab Republic, this month's President of the Security Council.—UPI.

James Bond
BY IAN FLEMING
DRAWING BY JOHN McLELLAN

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A HARD BUREAU WITH AN EAR-SPLITTING CRACK

Had false
trade marks
on four
car coats

A manufacturer who admitted having car coats with false trade marks on them, was fined \$10,000 with the alternative of six months' jail today. Central Magistrate, Mr. K. A. S. Phillips passed sentence on Ho Sui-to, 36, of 41 Peiho-street, Kowloon.

He told the court that he bought the labels from a man and that he did not know that it was an offence.

Revenue Insp. C. G. Kerswill, prosecuting, told the court that a party of Revenue officers raided the Chuen Hing Garment Co. at 2B Peiho-street.

A search was made and a total of four car coats labelled "Union sports wear of California" were found.

There were a number of partly made up coats and in addition, 16 labels marked "Union sports wear of California" were also found.

The four car coats and the 16 labels were confiscated.

Money in
circulation

Currency in circulation in November totalled \$1,025,240,312.30 made up as follows:

Banknotes: Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, \$867,800,000; Chartered Bank, \$81,447,700; Mercantile Bank Ltd., \$3,262,350.

Government issues—\$1 notes, \$31,741,487; \$1 coins, \$11,000,000; subsidiary notes and coins, \$29,988,775.30

Hongkong Clearing House figures for November—\$2,130,624,023.06.

Diseases
kill 32

Infectious diseases killed 32 persons during the week ending on December 16, as compared with 43 in the previous week, health figures showed today.

Of the total, 28 deaths were from tuberculosis, one each from poliomyelitis and measles and two from diphtheria.

The land is restricted to industrial or godown purposes. The upset price is \$300,000.

dear sir

In brief

An inaugural ceremony for the Fraternal Association of the Floating Population of Hongkong was held at Labour Building, Changsha-street, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. Sworn in at the same time were the Association's first-term executive and supervisory committees.

N. T. CHOW.

"Cassandra's" description of Hongkong is, if true, at least brief. Top Columnist, Roderick Mann's description of Hongkong (published in your excellent paper not long ago) was much longer.

—AP

The quiet man who wants to put a tax on noise

by DAVID ASH

WITH as little wrist-work as possible I tapped on the door at the headquarters of the Quiet People.

I was calling on two leading guerrillas in an almost military campaign against NOISE. John Connell, founder-secretary of the Noise Abatement Society, and Colonel Ronald Taylor, retired infantry commander and the first of an anticipated army of 1,000 anti-noise officers.

Mr Connell, a publicist with hair greyed by 51 years in this noisy world, is training Colonel Taylor as a "prototype" for the others, who will eventually get part-time pay.

Colonel Taylor, tall, mustached and soldierly, told me briskly: "I'm the Sevenoaks district organiser on a voluntary basis."

"Sevenoaks isn't a very noisy place, of course, but we shall appoint area lieutenants and local wardens to investigate complaints, and, if necessary, take action under the Noise Abatement Act."

Ssh!

Armed with a sound-level meter a black box with a dial recording the rate of decibels (units of sound)—Colonel Taylor has made a training series with Mr Connell following a complaint by Viscountess Cowdray about pneumatic drills outside her Mayfair flat.

The drills registered more than 100 decibels (a public library sound-level averages about 40 decibels). And the Quiet Men approached the drillers' foreman, Mr Paddy O'Donoghue, who was "most cooperative."

"He agreed that the work in hand should be done more quietly—with picks," said Mr Connell.

"Incidentally," he added, "some firms already reduce noise with an acoustic booth round each man who is drilling. But I am wanting enterprises to produce drills and heavy machinery which will be quieter."

"And if the Government backs my recommendation of a tax on noise, people with machinery will be taxed according to the noise it makes above 60 decibels."

Ssh!

In the office next door a secretary answered a telephone which gave a muted ring. "Noise," said Mr Connell, "can injure tissues through its vibrations, affect sight and hearing, cause anger and extreme hatred, prevent sleep and recuperation, and sap energy."

"It can make a nation lose £1,000 million in productivity per year."

Colonel Taylor told me: "My telephone has been very noisy since I took on this job. No end of people ring me with complaints."

"The trouble is," he admitted, "that whenever I go into the local for a quiet beer, everyone says 'Ssh!'."

THE MAN WHO WON'T GIVE IN!

by MAURICE EDELMAN, M.P.

LABOUR MEMBER FOR NORTH COVENTRY

"DE GAULLE," said Churchill to Maurice Schumann during the war, "is stubborn, arrogant, rude, stiff-necked, and always gets his own way—yes, de Gaulle is definitely a great man."

On the other hand, the British Prime Minister, when asked after a long interview with de Gaulle to give the Basic English for "our gallant allies," is alleged to have replied, "These bloody foreigners!"

The two stories express the mixture of admiration and exasperation with which the West—and, I have no doubt, the man who is king of France in everything but title

Over Berlin, over negotiations with the Russians, and in the last few days over the Nato talks, he has been the odd man out of the West—and unshakable.

From the time when he walked upright amid a hail of bullets at the Liberation ceremony in Notre Dame de Gaulle has made it increasingly clear that he regards himself as being personally under divine protection.

SUBLIME

Possessing what he calls the *baraka*—an Arabic word meaning God's special blessing—he views the troubled domestic scene of France and the continuing anguish of Algeria with a sublime calm.

His self-portrait written when he was a keen-eyed young officer hasn't changed, even though he is now grey, portly, and suffering from cataracts in his eyes.

"His passion for acting on his own is naturally accompanied by a certain roughness of conduct... The leader is distant too, for authority is not to be had without prestige, nor prestige without aloofness..."

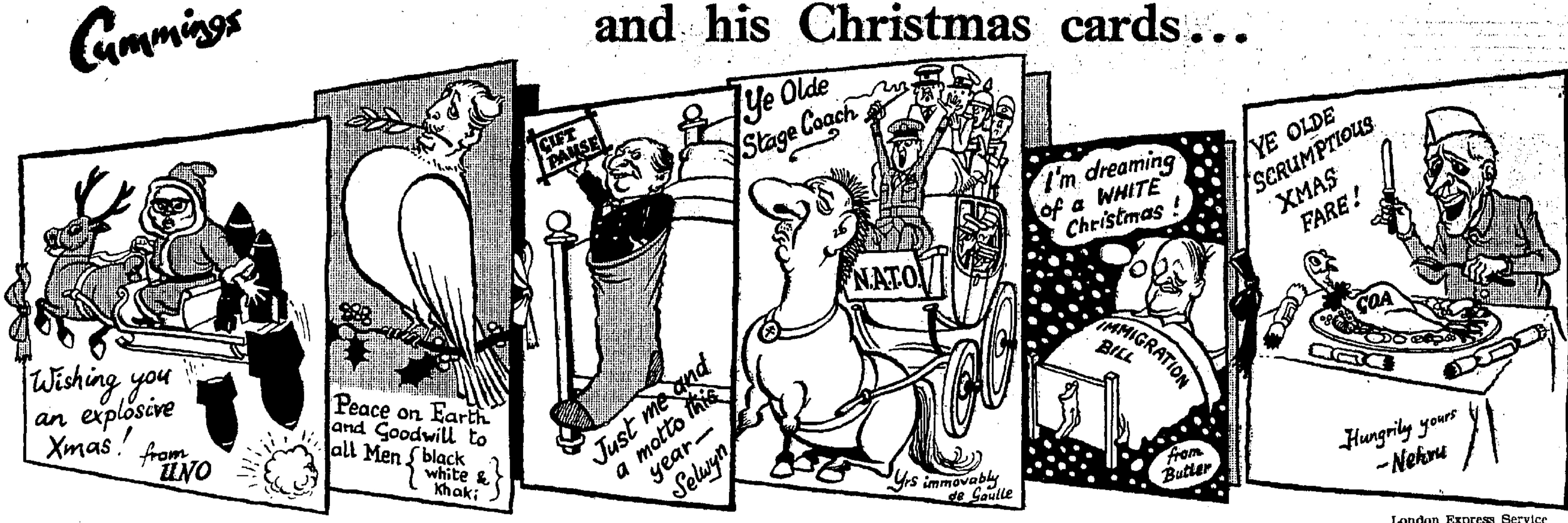
RESPECT

De Gaulle never changes, because he is always living up to this ideal pattern of himself. "Would de Gaulle do such a thing?" he asks in patient surprise when his policies are questioned.

This habit of referring to himself in the third person is yet another example of the respect with which he regards himself as leader of France.

—(London Express Service).

and his Christmas cards...



London Express Service

AN ASTONISHING POLL

Major Sir Henry d'Avigdor-Goldsmid

TORY MP

I AM opposed to capital punishment and would think this is a good case for not applying it. It has not, so far, been provided in Israeli law.

I would have no difficulty in supporting the suggestion that Eichmann should be handed over to the Germans.

Georgia Brown

ACTRESS

I TEND to think he ought to be branded with the mark of Cain and let loose. But this is obviously a little ludicrous. Perhaps the best thing would be to sentence him to life imprisonment in jail. I am against hanging him.

He has no scruples and might even revert to his former activities if he had the chance.

According to Jewish Rabbinic principles a man must not be hanged unless he was duly warned before the crime that he would be hanged for it, and in practice this can rarely be proved.

Charles Clore

PROPERTY TYCOON

EICHMANN should not be imprisoned for life. It would be a danger to let him loose. He has not repented or expressed regret for his actions.

The trial has established the Jewish point, and this one man's life will not atone for everything or anything that he did. Anyways, he is just a shell now.

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Sydney Silverman



The subject: should Eichmann hang

Dr Norman Bentwich, the eminent British Jew, in a remarkable letter published in The Times the other day, pleaded that Eichmann should not be hanged. Leading and well-known Jews were asked their opinions. Those who agreed to comment were unanimous.

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Sir Barnett Janner

MP, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS

I DO not believe in capital punishment and therefore I cannot speak objectively on the matter in the circumstances.

Benn Levy

PLAYWRIGHT

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DON'T LET THE SANTA CLAUS LEGEND DIE

He is essential for 'pretending' stage

THE legend of Santa Claus, his sled, reindeer and those dead-of-night trips down the chimney can play a vital part in a child's life. Never debunk that legend—unless the truth is demanded.

This seasonal advice to parents comes from an Oxford psychiatrist, Dr Hugh Freeman. If Santa Claus, he says, is part of a stage which all children pass through—pretending.

The bearded figure in red represents—many—unsatisfied wishes, and he is part of the "package deal," which our modern Christmas has become.

If the Santa Claus part is not true, the child asks himself, what is?

Dr Freeman suggests that over-commercialisation of the feast, plus the large numbers of professional Santas, have made it very difficult for a boy or girl to believe in a real Father Christmas today.

"If a child asks if he is real," he adds, "it is quite likely that he already doubts. It does no harm to go along with the child

make up for unhappy Christmases in their youth.

NO HANDLES

Wintery Note. — American scientists have developed a refrigerator without doors. It has shelves, with air ducts in them. An icy blast is forced through the ducts to cool food and set up a "curtain" of cold air which keeps out heat from the room.

Manufacturer's explanation?

The new fridges saves people opening and closing a door.

On this push-button age...

AUTO-TOOTHBRUSH

Christmas gift for the obsessed scientist. Automatic toothbrush, battery operated with a detachable brush.

It "spares" and a gadget for recharging the battery from the house mains.

THAT STAR

This is the time of year when it is fashionable to seek scientific explanation of the Star of Bethlehem, which drew the three Wise Men to the birthplace of Jesus. The riddle is unlikely ever to be solved. For there is doubt about the exact date of the event which may have been four or even 10 BC. For those who like to argue, I suggest these possibilities:

Was it a planet? Venus, for instance, is very bright—one of the brightest attractions in the sky. The Wise Men, however, are thought to have known enough about astronomy not to have been in doubt.

Was it a supernova? These "new stars" are really old ones which suddenly flare up temporarily, outshining all others.

Was it a comet? Halley's has approached at a suitable angle to Jerusalem around Christmas time each of the 27 times it has

occurred since 11 BC. Was this too early to fit the legend?

Or was the star a meteor? In this scientific age at Christmas time it is nice to hope so.

—(London Express Service).

I AM always against capital punishment, and from a general viewpoint I think I am against it for Eichmann. It is too good for him.

I think he should be imprisoned for life by himself, and be allowed to read. He could read what he liked, but books of a spiritual nature should be at his disposal.

From their motions he calculated that a similar fresh occurred in 6 BC. But checks show that the Sun was almost in line with the planets at that time—making them hard to see.

Was it a comet? These lumps of rock whirling in space orbits, brighten and develop conspicuous "tails" when they approach the Sun. They can be seen with the naked eye for weeks or months which fits the Bethlehem report.

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The Hon. Lilian Montagu

WRITER

WOMIANSENSE

LADY LUCK-
YOUR CHINA MAIL HOROSCOPE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Be sure not to overlook the approach of an important anniversary within the family.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): A personal problem which tends to interfere with your work should be settled by the first of the year.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A change in your surroundings would be advisable at this juncture, and you should make an effort to bring it about.

TAURUS (April 20-May 18): Settle a small debt before it slips your memory and you are embarrassed by receiving a reminder.

GEMINI (May 19-June 17): After a romantic interlude which was pleasant while it lasted, you will have to come down to earth again.

CANCER (June 18-July 16): Your new duties from the first of the year should provide more scope for your executive ability.

LEO (July 17-August 23): Don't be afraid to approach a

superior with a request you feel you are entitled to make.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): A strained relationship with a close relative will improve in the course of a New Year's party.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): An unscrupulous person whom you are trying to reform is not above taking advantage of you.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Don't commit yourself to an unusual expenditure unless it fully merits the economies it would entail.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Do some more constructive planning before stepping boldly into a new venture next month.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Think more seriously about the future instead of dissipating your energy on futile pursuits.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If today is your birthday, a promotion to a more responsible position will make you alter your mind about seeking a change next year.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Walk In The Rain

Merlin's Magic Keeps Everyone Dry

By MAX TRELL

"Hello, Kids," said Mr Merlin, the Most Marvellous and Magnificent Magician, to Knarf and Handi, the Shadow Children with the Turned About Names. "How would you like to take a walk with me?"

Hanid said, "It isn't a very good day for walking, Mr Merlin." "If we don't care about a little rain, do we?"

Looked out

"Rainning?" repeated Mr Merlin. "He went over to the window and looked out. "To be sure!" he said the next moment. "But we don't care about a little rain, do we?"

"Of course we do!" said Knarf. "We'll get all wet."

"Now let's see what we can do about it," said Mr Merlin. He snapped his fingers. There were three puffs of blue smoke. When the smoke cleared away, Knarf and Handi and Mr Merlin were all covered with white feathers.

"Duck feathers," explained Mr Merlin. "They're the driest things in the world. Raindrops roll right off them."

Feathers disappeared

Knarf said the feathers made him feel itchy. Handi said the feathers weren't very pretty. Mr Merlin snapped his fingers again. And the feathers disappeared.

"Let's see what else we can do!" he said.

Once more Mr Merlin snapped his fingers. Again the room filled with blue smoke. When the smoke cleared away, Knarf and Handi and Mr Merlin were holding umbrellas over their heads.

They were very strange-looking umbrellas!

Knarf's umbrella looked like a mushroom. Handi's umbrella looked like a palm leaf. Mr Merlin's umbrella looked like the branch of a spreading chestnut tree.

Do they like them?

"Well," said Mr Merlin, "how do you like your umbrellas?"

Knarf said his mushroom-umbrella was pretty funny-looking.

"Not at all," said Mr Merlin. "Thousands of bugs all over the world use mushroom-umbrellas."

"But I'm not a bug," said Knarf.

"We'll take care of that in a minute," said Mr Merlin.

Knarf started to shout that he didn't want to be a bug. It was too late! Mr Merlin had already snapped his fingers. There was a puff of smoke at the spot where Knarf stood. When the smoke cleared away, there was a bug standing in the middle of the room under a mushroom.

"What about you?" Mr Merlin asked Handi. "Are you happy with your palm tree leaf-umbrella?"

"Not very much," said Handi. "Then she remembered about Knarf's being changed into a bug and she hastily added, "But I'll get used to it."

"Lizards like it," said Mr Merlin.

He snapped his fingers and the sound black shell-Rupert holding "Well, of all the lucky



Karf became a Bug, holding a mushroom-umbrella.

ished, was a rather handsome blue and gold Lizard standing under a palm tree leaf.

Not too happy

"As for me," said Mr Merlin as he smiled at the Bug and the Lizard, "I'm not really too happy with this branch of a spreading chestnut tree. On the other hand, if I were a Robin, this would be the best umbrella in the world."

He snapped his fingers and, an instant later, a Robin with the branch of a chestnut tree over his head was standing next to the Bug with the mushroom and the Lizard with the palm tree leaf.

"Come along," chirped the Robin to the Bug and the Lizard. "Now let's take a walk in the rain."

Strange sight

And (though you may not believe it) the people who lived on Knarf's and Handi's street and who happened to be standing by their windows on this particular, rainy afternoon, saw a Bug walking by with a mushroom over his head and a Lizard scampering by with a palm tree leaf over her head and a Robin hopping by with a branch of a chestnut tree spread over his head.

And they wondered if they saw what they thought they saw.

"Yes, you were right, Mr Merlin," Handi said later after they had returned home and were back in their own shapes again. "None of us got a bit wet. You are the Most Marvellous and Magnificent Magician."

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Rupert and the Popweed - 49



"Search the open air Rupert is it to the Seafarer who is in action?" "Well, but already?" Soon the Monkey reappears beside the Seafarer, an arm around round the island. Then to Rupert's delight, he fetches the boat with the boy Jon from the next creek.



"Young simpos!" it seems. "What next? Back to Rocky Bay, eh?" Soon the Monkey reappears beside the Seafarer, an arm around round the island. Then to Rupert's delight, he fetches the boat with the boy Jon from the next creek.

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JILL BUTTERFIELD: a girl in HELL'S KITCHEN

TODAY: A LOOK AT THE AMERICAN FASHION SCENE . . . WITH Robb



NEW YORK PARTY . . . Little black dresses, little perched-on hats, little luxury dog

It's so hard to be truly creative when there's a furious rush

New York.

'M' ISN'T for Mother. 'M' is for Mink—that's the hard selling slogan currently sprawled across the New York theatre programmes. And this to me sums up the importance of the fashion business—the largest industry in the country—to the American way of life.

For the most striking things about the Transatlantic rag trade are the way in which it absorbs its members, its terrifying professionalism, and its fantastic devotion to the cause of hard cash.

The towering Seventh-avenue manufacturing jungle is no place for the inspired stars-in-the-eyes amateur.

Shrew

It is designed to turn a girl into a woman and a woman into a shrew quicker than you can say cost-price.

It is not much of a place for the imaginative professional either—for it is limited by the most important factor governing American fashion today.

As Jackie Kennedy's dresser, Oleg Cassini, told me: "The fantastic wish of the American woman to conform at all costs makes it difficult to be truly creative. The American woman has given herself a formal uniform and she clings to it as rigidly as the old school tie."

And they wondered if they saw what they thought they saw.

"Yes, you were right, Mr Merlin," Handi said later after they had returned home and were back in their own shapes again. "None of us got a bit wet. You are the Most Marvellous and Magnificent Magician."

"I know it," said Mr Merlin.

"We'll take care of that in a minute," said Mr Merlin.

Knarf started to shout that he didn't want to be a bug. It was too late! Mr Merlin had already snapped his fingers. There was a puff of smoke at the spot where Knarf stood. When the smoke cleared away, there was a bug standing in the middle of the room under a mushroom.

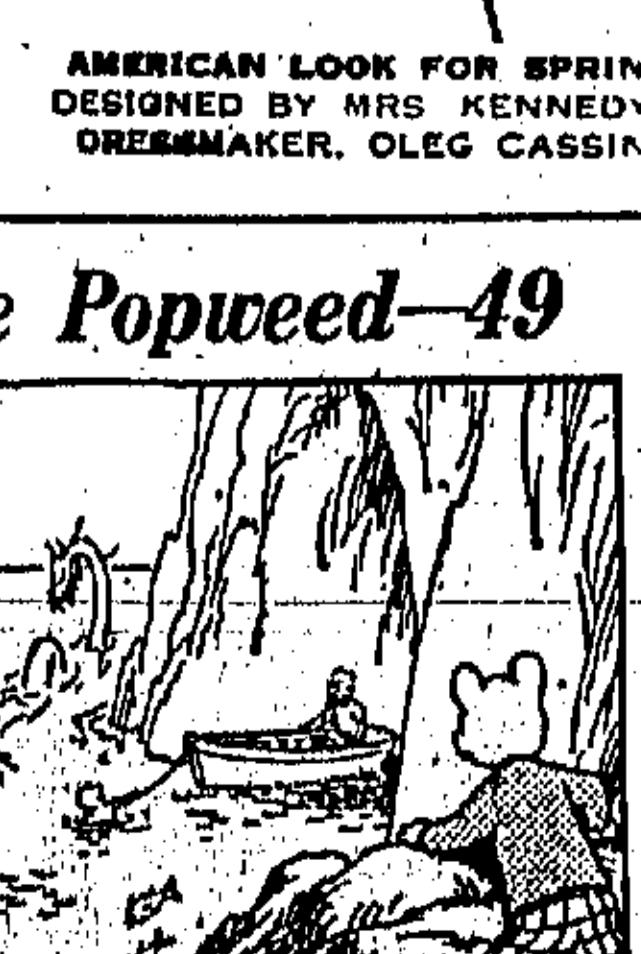
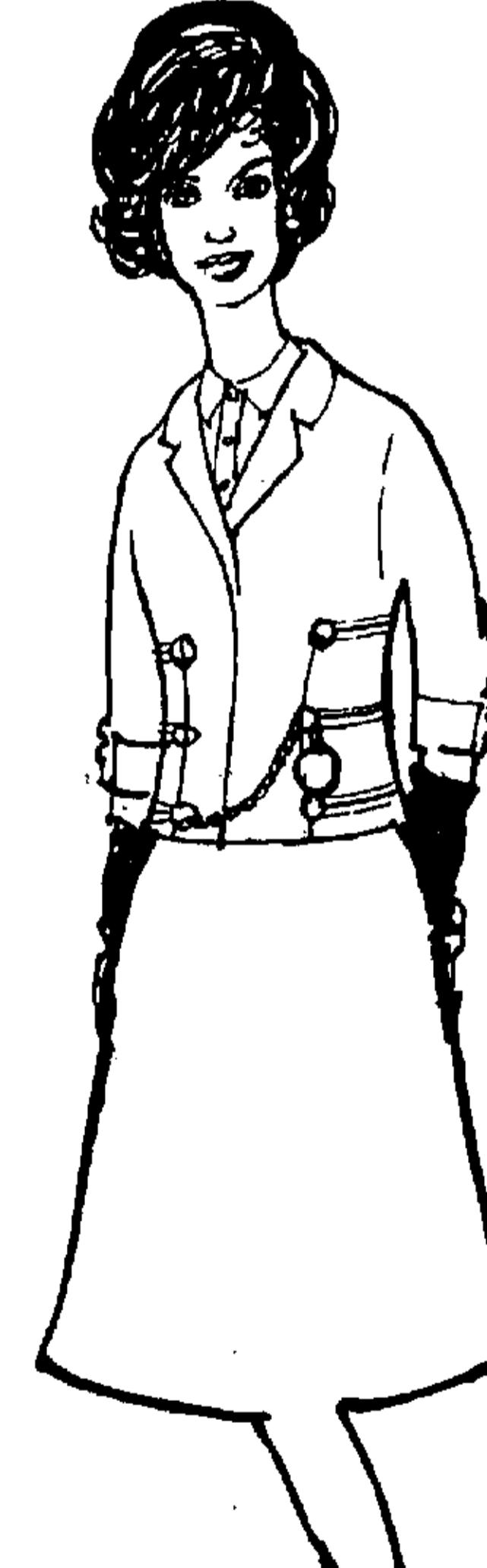
"What about you?" Mr Merlin asked Handi. "Are you happy with your palm tree leaf-umbrella?"

"Not very much," said Handi.

Then she remembered about Knarf's being changed into a bug and she hastily added, "But I'll get used to it."

"Lizards like it," said Mr Merlin.

He snapped his fingers and the sound black shell-Rupert holding "Well, of all the lucky



"Search the open air Rupert is it to the Seafarer who is in action?" "Well, but already?" Soon the Monkey reappears beside the Seafarer, an arm around round the island. Then to Rupert's delight, he fetches the boat with the boy Jon from the next creek.

Vivid

"Today every other neckline is collarless. Sleeves are almost a thing of the fashion past, rose pink is New York's favourite colour and, thanks to the First Lady, New York hemlines are at last creeping up to smart European heights."

Fear

It is this fear of being "different" that squeezes every woman regardless of age or size into a little black sheath dress, a little fur stole, a little pillbox hat, and a little row of pearls after six o'clock.

It is this run-with-the-pack mentality that collars every winter coat with some sort of fur, makes tapestry bags the world over.

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RAPIER'S RACING COMMENTS

Spotlight on Class 1 and Class 4 horses on Monday

SPRINGBOKS TAKE 99-RUN FIRST-INNINGS TEST LEAD OVER KIWIS

Johannesburg, Dec. 28. Rhodesian fast bowler Godfrey Lawrence took eight wickets for 53 runs in helping South Africa to dismiss New Zealand for 223 and Africa to dismiss New Zealand for 223 and take a first innings lead of 99 in the second unofficial cricket Test here today.

South Africa, who made 322 in their first innings, scored 55 without loss in the second, 55 minutes left for play on the third day of the match, which ends tomorrow.

South African wicket-keeper-batsman John Walte, who hit 101 yesterday, took four catches off Lawrence's accurate bowling.

Opening bat Graham Dowling was topscorer for the touring team with 74, his best score in Test cricket. He hit a five and nine fours.

John Reid, the New Zealand captain, batted well for 39 and Gary Bartlett contributed a useful 31.

Graham Dowling, the New Zealand opener, who was 10 not out overnight, was in splendid form. He was undefeated with 50 at the interval, his first half-century of the tour, and then hit a five and six fours.

Dowling and skipper John Reid added 66 for the third wicket before Reid was trapped leg before wicket.

Godfrey Lawrence, the Rhodesian fast bowler, captured all the first three wickets at a cost of 28.

The wicket was playing easily and did not give the bowlers much help.

Scoreboard

FIRST INNINGS		South Africa			
South Africa 322 (J. H. B. White for 321, M. K. Elgin, M. F. Cameron b/w for 43)		25			
New Zealand (Overnight 27 for 26)		25			
S. N. McGregor (Walter Lawrence)		25			
G. T. Bartlett (unst.)		24			
J. R. Reid (L. B. Lawrence)		10			
Total		59			
Bowling analysis		O	M	R	W
P. D. Dowling		20	4	48	0
J. B. Walte		23	1	42	0
G. A. Bartlett		30	3	53	8
J. R. Reid		1	0	15	0
M. K. Elgin		15	6	34	1
Total		223			
SECOND INNINGS					
South Africa					
D. J. McGregor (not out)		25			
J. R. Reid (not out)		30			
Extras		4			
Total (for no wicket)		59			
Bowling analysis		O	M	R	W
P. D. Dowling		0	1	29	0
J. B. Walte		7	1	12	0
G. A. Bartlett		3	0	15	0
J. R. Reid		Reuter			

Judo champion fighting for life after match injuries

Belgrade, Dec. 28.

Veteran Japanese Judo champion Dr Kokili Nagaoaka fought for life in a hospital today, his spine broken and his limbs paralysed from a fall in a Judo match.

Nagoaka, coach of a West German Judo team which had been travelling through Yugoslavia, has been breathing through a mechanical apparatus this week in the hospital at Ljubljana, capital of the Republic of Slovenia.

No perceptible improvement has been noted in his condition since the injuries occurred on December 21.

"The injury of Dr Nagaoaka is one of the most difficult that can be inflicted upon the human body," Yugoslav specialist Dr Milos Remic said today. "If he lives, he has no chance for rehabilitation."

Double Chance (T. H. Yau) won the Ardler Plate over the mile for Class B horses at the Fourth Race Meeting in 1:44-4/5 and despite the fact that she has been promoted since then, is capable of extending her winning streak.

Double Chance's main opposition will come from Francoise (Chu Kit).

Others to bear in mind are

Gold Badge (H. K. Hung), First Prize (R. J. Loughran) and Precious Coral (Alan Chan).

Spine crushed

Nagoaka was injured during a match with Ivo Macke, a former champion of Yugoslavia. It was the last event of the evening. The Japanese had attacked eagerly and, in the first minute tried a "Uchimata". However, he suddenly seemed to lack power and lost his balance. An instant later, Macke, who weighs 200 pounds, crushed him to the mat. Nagoaka lay there motionless.

He was rushed to the hospital, where it was determined his spine had been crushed, causing paralysis of his arms and legs, as well as hindering breathing.

Doctors said his life will be in acute danger for the next few days.

Nagoaka is conscious and can talk, AP.

Fourth race

Curragh Handicap (First Section): 6 Furs. & 40 Yds.

If Milky Way (Oakford) repeats the form she displayed when winning the Belcher Bay Handicap (First Section) from the 1 1/2 Mile Post at the Third Race Meeting with the same Jockey up, she has a good chance of making it two in a row following.

Horse Top (H. K. Hung), Pandora (Williams) have been moving well in training and must be considered as the likely horses to cause an upset here in case Milky Way falters.

Scampi (P. Plumby) is worth following as outsider.

Fifth race

Galway Handicap (Third Section): 6 Furs. & 40 Yds.

Affab (K. Kwok) holds pride of place with top weight of 154 lbs. This black gelding is in good form at the moment, during morning gallops, and the combination seems strong enough to hold off a field studded with useful sprinters.

Ida (Alex Lam) and Daity (T. H. Yau) are consistent sprinters and should be the main danger to Affab.

Efflesienie (H. M. Botelho) and Hit Parade (H. K. Hung) will probably also be very close at the finish.

If the Test pitch is similar,

there should be a definite result.

Meals and Refreshments will be available in the Restaurants.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$20.00 each for the 1st Day, \$10.00 each for the 2nd Day and \$8.00 each for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Prince's Building, Ground Floor (facing Statue Square), 5 D'Aguilar Street and 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, during office hours.

Tickets reserved and available, but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 29th December, 1961, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

Special Cash Sweep Tickets on the Pearce Memorial Cup scheduled to be run on 10th March, 1962, at \$2.00 each and Cash Sweep Tickets at \$2.00 each for the last race of this meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices of the Club.

By Order of the Stewards
F. D. ANGUS,
Secretary.



SCARFACE AND GAME PIE PICKED TO WIN THE TWO MAIN EVENTS

PROBABLE STARTERS AND RIDERS

Following are the probable starters and riders for the first day's programme of the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club's Sixth Race Meeting on Monday:

12.00 Noon, Race 1, GALWAY HANDICAP (1st Section), 6 Furlongs, 40 Yards, Novices, Class C.

000 Grand Moment (A. S. Wong) 145 lbs

013 Longchamp (S. H. Wong) 150 lbs

030 Corrier (Belvoir) 140 lbs

033 Cyclone (Lee) 137 lbs

200 Georgia Purple (Sofronoff) 138 lbs

201 J. B. Lim 146 lbs

030 Staccato Yours (Chew) 161 lbs

123 Thielok (Ng) 161 lbs

430 Perri (Sofronoff) 138 lbs

000 Pin-Pin (Tokmokoff) 138 lbs

000 Sonny Shum (Ng) 144 lbs

000 Paddle White (Pereboom) 146 lbs

000 Happy View (Lum) 154 lbs

002 Jake (Pereboom) 135 lbs

002 Oakford (Lee) 145 lbs

042 Jill (Pereboom) 145 lbs

000 Mayflower (Sofronoff) 133 lbs

040 Norse King (Belvoir) 137 lbs

010 No Surprise (Lam) 149 lbs

010 Orchid (Metreville) 145 lbs

020 How Do I Know (Ng) 152 lbs

000 Baby (Belvoir) 133 lbs

000 Bingo (Lesser) 133 lbs

000 Gemini (Lee) 147 lbs

212 Gigi (Rodney) 154 lbs

010 No Surprise (Lam) 149 lbs

000 Orchid (Metreville) 145 lbs

020 Tell Me How (C. Y. Wong) 144 lbs

000 Not So Bad (Sofronoff) 144 lbs

000 Rowan (Metreville) 150 lbs

000 Strong Courage (Sofronoff) 150 lbs

034 Rose (Noodt) 144 lbs

000 Some Investment (Tokmokoff) 142 lbs

020 Viperous Avi (Sofronoff) 135 lbs

000 Babook (Rodney) 133 lbs

000 Bingo (Lesser) 133 lbs

000 Cheetah (Sofronoff) 150 lbs

000 G-Man (Ng) 145 lbs

000 Good Win (C. Y. Wong) 143 lbs

000 Net Profit (Rodney) 143 lbs

000 Baby (Belvoir) 133 lbs

000 Sinclair (Metreville) 142 lbs

004 Star (Metreville) 142 lbs

004 Sure Goat (Sofronoff) 143 lbs

004 Viva Day (S. H. Wong) 141 lbs

000 Precious Coral (Ng) 141 lbs

000 Whirlaway (Tokmokoff) 150 lbs

000 Chum Kit (Ng) 150 lbs

000 Captain Kid (Ng) 152 lbs

000 Daredevil (Lee) 145 lbs

Keio University take on HK Interport Hockey Team this Sunday

By "NUMPERE"

The main match of the Keio University Hockey Association's tour of Hongkong takes place on Sunday when they play all Hongkong at Reereo.

The Japanese team have been very impressive in their matches to date, and with both teams very keen to win the big match it should be well worth watching.

Keio have a very crowded programme, having already played a Combined Nav Bharat and IRC team on Wednesday and Reereo yesterday. They won both matches by 3-2 and 2-1.

They play RAF at Kai Tak today and KCC at Cox's Road tomorrow. On Wednesday, January 3, they play Combined Services at Sockington and the following day Macaenses at King's Park.

To visit Macao

Keio then visit Macao for two matches, the first against Club de Macau on Saturday, January 6, and the following day against a Portuguese Selection which will be a team selected from Macao and Macaenses. Macao and Macaenses are combining with a view to applying to enter a Portuguese team in the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo.

After their return from Macao, Keio play one further match against the Army on

Sports Diary

TODAY

Soccer
1st Division: KMB v Kwong Wah (Police) 3.30 pm.
Reserve Division: KMB v Kwong Wah (Police) 2 pm.

TOMORROW

Soccer
1st Division: KMB v South China (CH) Happy Valley v Army (Club) both matches at 3.30 pm.
Reserve Division: Eastern v South China (CH) Happy Valley v Army (Club) both matches at 3 pm.
3rd Division: China Gas v Rediffusion (HV) 2.15 pm. Dowell v RIC (HV) 2.15 pm. Tramways v Shui (HV) 3.45 pm. Tung Chung v Jardines (HV) 3.45 pm. C & W v Swan (HV) 3.45 pm. HK Aircraft v University (HV) 3.45 pm.
Cricket
Friendly Match: Reereo v China Light & Power, King's Park, 1.30 pm.

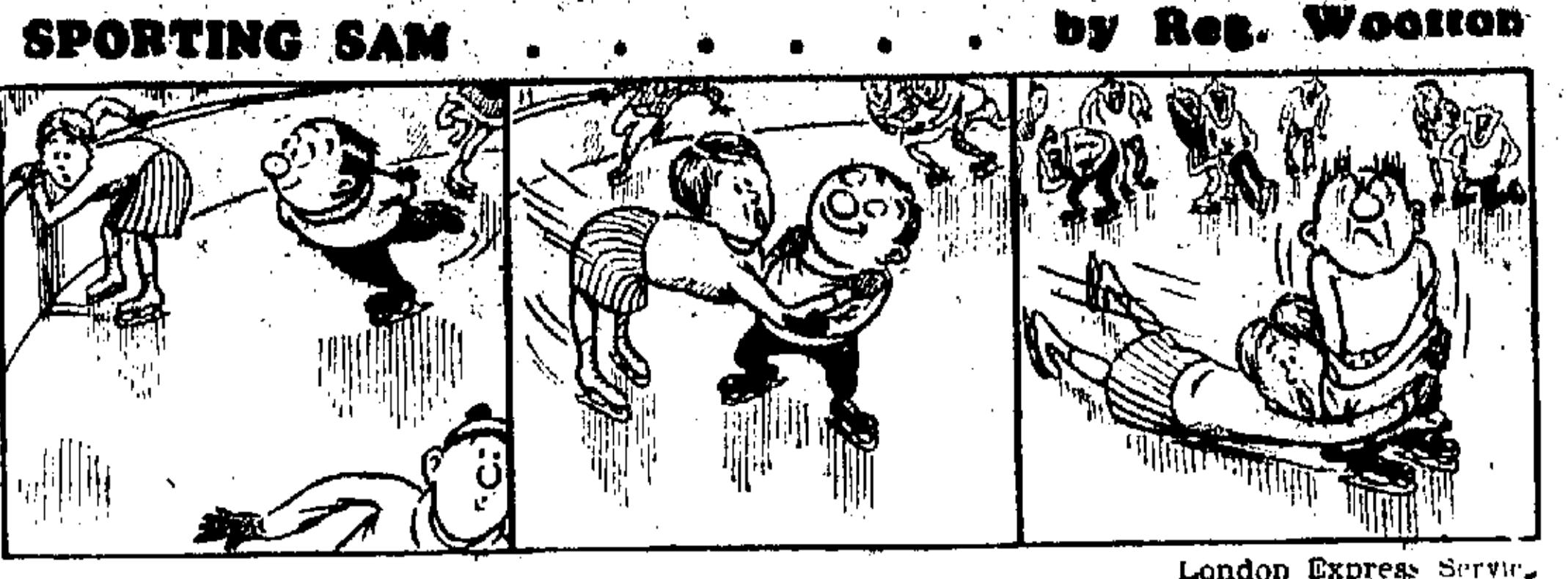
Fixtures

Following are the weekend fixtures:

TOMORROW
Ladies' League
Grenadiers 'B' v Reereo at King's
Pt. 11 am. Umpires: J. Marcell
J. K. Fellows.

KCC v Grenadiers 'A' at KCC, 2
pm. Umpires: W. Matthews, Y. Khan
Friendship Match
KCC v Keio University at KCC,
3.30 pm.

SUNDAY
Representative match
All Hongkong vs Keio University
All Reereo, 3.30 pm. Umpire: K.
Lall
Third Division
HK University vs Lions at Happy
Valley, 11.30 am. Umpires Capt
Crony Cpl Frost.



by Reg. Wootten

FINA recognises new world records

Tokyo, Dec. 28.

The International Swimming Federation (FINA) today announced its approval of 29 men and 26 women world swimming records set in 1961.

The FINA office in Tokyo said the new marks will be recognised from Jan. 1, 1962.

Chef Jastremski of the United States heads the list of record smashers by collecting all four

'A' match, KCC currently lead the table with 18 points from 10 matches, with Grenadiers in second place with 16 points from eight matches.

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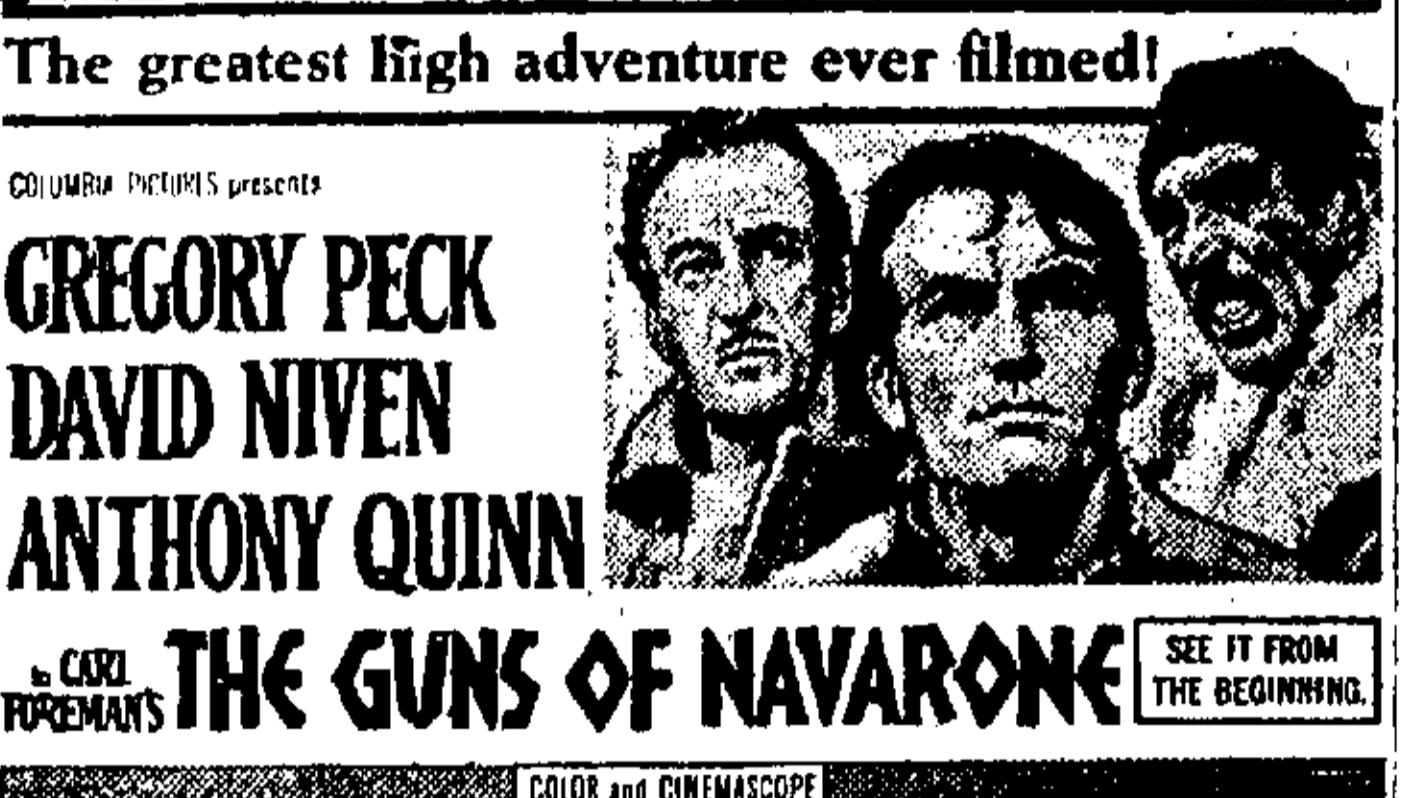
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What the Hongkong box office figures show YOUR TEN TOP 1961 FILMS And this time the Colony follows the world pattern

By ANTHONY FULLER

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THIS
ONE
BEST



Hongkong says that the ten following films were the best of 1961.

- (1) The Guns of Navarone
- (2) Ben Hur
- (3) Spartacus
- (4) The World of Suzie Wong
- (5) World By Night
- (6) Olympics of 1960
- (7) The Magnificent Seven
- (8) Pepe
- (9) Butterfield 8
- (10) Cimarron

Well, there it is, and not an oil of your tears or savings can alter it. The public who pay these hard-earned dollars into the box-office are the only people who count in the estimation of the Film Producers.

The public are the final arbiters, and the Hongkong public spent over \$5 million on the first run of the above listed films.

Hongkong's favourite for 1961, "The Guns of Navarone," is no surprise, for it made good box-office all over the world. Nevertheless, Hongkong appeared in heavy black type in the cinema trade papers. I quote, "A Record Run For 'Guns' in Hongkong," and the China Mail news item entitled "The 'Guns of Navarone' shoot down 'Ben Hur,'" was reproduced throughout the trade in many languages.

A natural

Actually, you might call the "Guns" a natural for Hongkong. It was made in CinemaScope, photographed in Technicolor,

with a gloriously far stretched story, and a crisp understandable dialogue plus a magnificent showmanship climax.

Incidentally, this is the first time an entirely British production has headed Hongkong's "top ten." For this film was made by British Columbia Films, with the American and British stars, Gregory Peck and David Niven heading a competent cast.

Ben Hur was expected to do well. Never was a film launched on such a publicity campaign. Its success in the Colony was, undoubtedly, but the surprise is that it was surpassed by "The Guns of Navarone." Hongkong's traditional world pattern then changed.

For box-office-wise, the three top films took over two and a half million dollars between them, the seven remaining films took less than two and a half million dollars among them.

Taking the films released all over the world, Hongkong's choice of the top ten will, I think, closely follow the general pattern, especially the top three which were universal favourites.

Hongkong would have nothing to do with anything highbrow. "La Dolce Vita" flopped, but the film was cut to pieces, so it was told on my return from England.

This is the thing I have dropped since it has occurred to any film under my review.

Dropped dead

Next was "The World of Suzie Wong," playing in sporting idiom, upon her own ground. Well, "Suzie" made number four, but she grossed less than half of what either the "Guns" or "Ben" took at the box-office.

The surprise is to see a documentary "Olympics of 1960" placed six in Hongkong's list. This is both a tribute to Italian film production and the astuteness of Mr S. T. Wu of the State and Royal Theatres.

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Private car registrations are increasing at the rate of more than 10 a day, according to figures released today by Government.

More than 320 cars were registered last month and the total number now stands at 35,525.

The number of licensed drivers of motor vehicles stood at 118,684 — or 312 more than the total at the end of October.

A total of 1,260 provisional drivers were licensed and 4,275 driving tests authorised at the end of November.

The figures also revealed there had been an increase of 32 in the number of taxis in service and the total now stands at 1,319.

Raffle prize winners



Government
appointments
gazetted

The following appointments, promotions, transfers and postings were announced in today's Government Gazette:

Mr T. Creedon to be District Judge; Mr Paul Stafford to be a Magistrate; Mr E. Barnes to be an Inspector of Schools.

Mrs Mary Chow to act as Superintendent and Training Officer for Health Services.

Mr K. Y. Chang to act as Health Sister; Mr J. Dodds to act as Chief Male Nurse (Psychiatry); Mr Lincoln Leung to act as Chief Female Nurse (Psychiatry); Miss May Li Pak to act as Matron, Class II.

Mr Wong Sik-han to be an Assistant Registrar; Mr Chan Ki-sum to be a Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

The following officers have been promoted to the permanent and responsible establishment: Mr Au Shun-wai, Electrical Engineer; Dr Chik Li Yue-lok, Dr Chew Yee-wong, Dr Li Sau-ying, Dr Lin Yung-tai, Dr Ng Ching-ping, Dr P. Cheung Yuk-chung, Dr J. W. B. Palmer, Dr I. F. G. Haddow and Dr F. O. Young-koon, Medical and Health Officers; Mr A. G. Martin and Mr S. A. C. Hill, Education Officers.

SMUGGLING
BID FAILS

The master and a crew member of a fishing junk which illegally brought a woman and two children to Hongkong, were this morning fined by Mr K. A. S. Phillips of Central Magistracy.

Shek Shing-wan, 28, master, was fined \$500 or one month's jail and Yeung Wo-sun, 23, was fined \$100 or one week's jail.

The woman admitted she boarded the junk in Macao. A sum of \$400 was to be paid to the defendants on safe arrival in Hongkong.

Popular theatre

The most popular cinema in the Colony is the Royal in Kowloon.

This is surprising when you consider that the Royal screened none of the top three films. The reason for this is undoubtedly that the Royal is a comfortable theatre with a fine view of the screen from all seats.

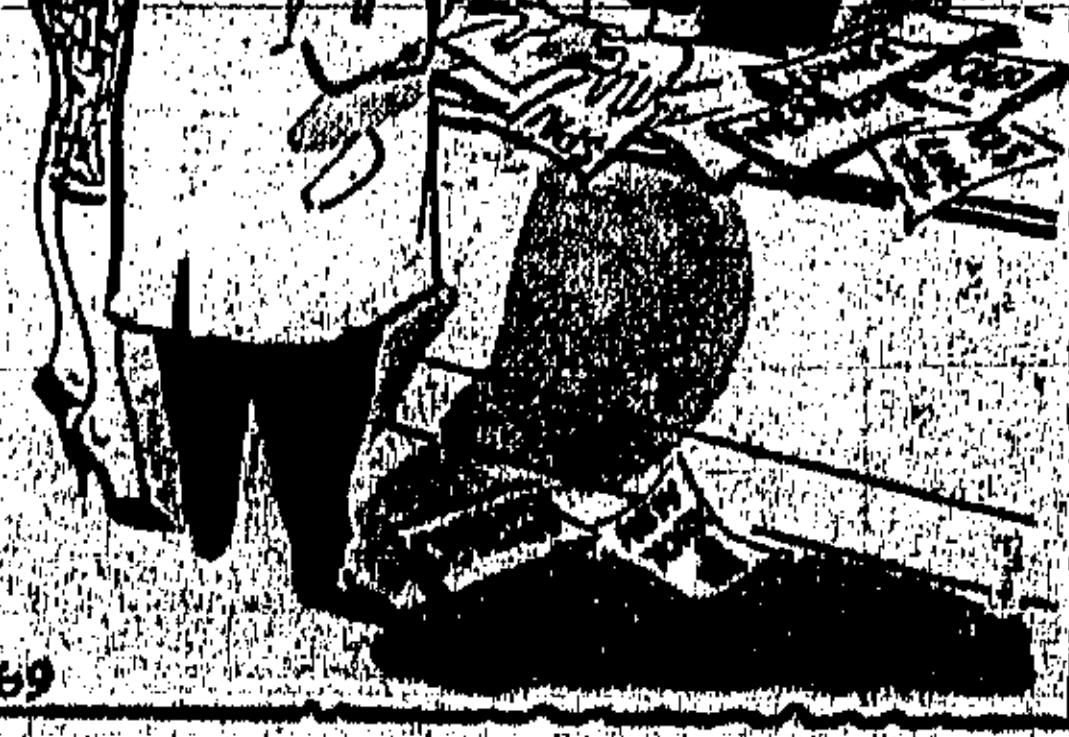
TAIL PIECE

As usual, the Editor of the China Mail has stuck his neck out in order that mine can be hit.

Well, I will leave out the art numbers, which stopped, and will back a film from the ordinary run of good commercial films.

I say, "Never On Sunday," starring Melina Mercouri, in a day. Hellenic romp about an American professor who tried to reform a gay girl.

And what a lovely time to go with it!



Soochow men
to celebrate

The annual ball of the Soochow University Alumni Association will be held at the Paramount night club tonight at 8 pm.

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MANY STEPS
TO
CLIMB!
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Hills to make
way for
80 acres of
living space

About 80 acres of sites for private development, a resettlement estate, schools and playing fields are to be formed at So Mo-ping, a hilly area above Kun Tong on the eastern shores of Kowloon Bay.

The entire project, taking about four years to complete, will cost about \$20 million. The material excavated from the hillside will be used in the Kun Tong reclamation scheme. The first of five sites to be formed will be used for the construction of a resettlement estate to house about 50,000 people.

New Fu Centre plan changes
to take
a fortnight

The overall replanning of Fu Centre into a theatre and office building. Instead of a luxury hotel, will be completed in about a fortnight the architect, Mr Eric Cumine said this morning.

Fu Centre will rise 37 storeys and will take three years to complete.

Located on the site of the old Butterfield and Swire premises in Connaught-road, Central, near the City Hall, it will accommodate a 1,400-seat theatre on the first floor, a shopping arcade on the ground floor and offices from the second floor upwards.

Tcp floors will be apartments, said Mr William Ling, the assistant architect to Mr Cumine.

Mr Ling also revealed that the architectural design for the new skyscraper will be something quite different from other structures in town. He did not elaborate because "everything is still under planning and not yet finalised."

The new building is owned by the Fu family, for 20 years operators of Macao's famed gambling casinos.

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A 23-year-old vegetable gardener was charged before Mr W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy yesterday with the larceny of three chickens belonging to Madame Chifon, of No. 5 Shouson Hill.

Failing to dispose of them the defendant killed, cooked and ate one of them, and freed the other two. The chickens were valued at \$4 altogether. His Worship ordered defendant to pay \$4 amends to the complainant and in addition fined him \$25 or a further month's hard-labour.

"SPIT is a nasty word," especially with the 1940 Olympics bringing a good many impressionable visitors to Japan, says the Japan Chronicle. None of the officials in this country have heard of the famous American advertising campaign which used the above slogan to sell cigars, but it has been decided that something must be done about promiscuous expectorating in public places in Tokyo.

The Hygiene Section of the Home Office, Metropolitan Police Board and the Tokyo Prefectural and City Office discussed the subject among other matters of hygiene recently and the results of their meeting will be published in the middle of February when a proclamation is issued providing fine and detention for offenders.

50 YEARS AGO

Extract from SCM, Post 25 years ago column:

"The forthcoming visit of Mr Matheson Lang and Miss Ruth Britton to Hongkong is awaited with considerable interest and the gifted couple are assured of a warm welcome. The church and stage join hands in the person of Mr Lang, his father and three of his uncles being prominent members in the Scottish Church, while his grace the Archbishop of York is his cousin."

"He was early stage-struck, played in many amateur productions and was an enthusiastic member of the St Andrew's University Dramatic Society. His first speaking part as a professional was that of the Due d'Orleans in 'Richelieu' in which part, also, singularly enough, the late St. Henry Irving made his professional debut."